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GOLDA'S RETURN

The Prime Minister returned yesterday from Rumania apparently satisfied with the long talks she held there with President Ceausescu and Prime Minister Ion Gheorghe Maurer.

As expected, the joint communique issued yesterday revealed little about the content of the discussions. And Mrs. Meir was equally reticent while talking to Israeli newsmen at Lod Airport upon her return.

What is evident, however, is that the talks in Bucharest appear to have been clearly divided into discussion of bilateral relations and the Middle East conflict.

With regard to the bilateral ties, the communique confirmed earlier reports that both Mrs. Meir and her hosts would discuss ways of expanding the trade and cooperation that has developed steadily between the two countries since the mid 1960s. Both countries have reaped material and political advantage from these relations, which this visit served to underscore.

The communique was particularly revealing about the discussions concerning the Middle East, confining itself to one brief line. This brevity stands in inverse proportion to the length of the talks devoted to this topic in Bucharest. The significance of this part of Mrs. Meir's talks will perhaps become known only in the weeks and months ahead.

It is already apparent, however, that Mrs. Meir and Mr. Ceausescu started from differing assessments of what should be done and who should do it — differences stemming not only from varying interests but varying readings of Egyptian intentions.

The unanswered question is to what degree these varying views were bridged in an operative way, that is, in a way which would permit the Rumanians to act as a continuing channel of communication. Presumably Mr. Ceausescu will now be in a position to give President Sadat a full report of his conversations and of Israel's position. But the test will come in Sadat's reaction to this message.

Yet even without any spectacular breakthrough, the visit clearly represents a diplomatic achievement for both countries. It spotlights for other countries the advantages to be gained from maintaining a non-partisan stance on the Middle East, and at the same time shows that Israel's determined and consistent policy on the conflict in our region has registered itself on the international scene as a solid stance which can form the basis of fruitful diplomacy.

Tragic Irony
It is of course a tragic irony that while Mrs. Meir was in Rumania, and visiting with a Jewish community enabled to maintain its religion and traditions, the Soviet authorities gave vivid signs of greater oppression of Soviet Jewry.

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Rogers called from Bonn NIXON SCHEDULES URGENT TALKS ON VIETNAM TODAY

WASHINGTON — President Nixon yesterday suddenly recalled Secretary of State William Rogers from an official visit to Europe amid signs the President may have decided on important Vietnam war policy moves.

The White House also announced that Mr. Nixon's chief foreign policy aide, Dr. Henry Kissinger, had postponed a planned trip to Japan to be on hand for consultations on Vietnam.

Mr. Nixon scheduled an early morning meeting today with Mr. Rogers and Dr. Kissinger to review the Vietnam situation. Observers generally expected Mr. Nixon would renew bombing around Hanoi and the major north Vietnam port of Haiphong to try to destroy supplies for North Vietnam's offensive in the South.

Increases in B-52 bomber squadrons in Guam and Thailand and the boosting of U.S. naval strength off Vietnam to about 60 ships and 50,000 men have given Mr. Nixon the means to launch the biggest air and naval bombardment of the war, according to military observers.

Mr. Nixon may have decided to step up the air and naval war to ensure he can resume any peace initiative from a position of strength in the face of the North Vietnamese offensive, observers said.

The White House made the disclosures while Mr. Nixon worked

and relaxed in the seclusion of his Camp David retreat in Maryland. Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren said the Chief Executive asked the Secretary, who was in Bonn for meetings with West German officials as part of a series of talks with European allies, "to come back for a National Security Council meeting tomorrow and for other consultations."

Mr. Warren provided no information on what prompted Mr. Nixon's moves. "I can't give details on the meeting or say what they will be discussing," Mr. Warren said in reply to a question.

The National Security Council, whose staff is headed by Dr. Kissinger, includes the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Vice President, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. The group meets infrequently and its sessions sometimes coincide with major policy decisions by the President.

Mr. Warren said it is anticipated that Mr. Rogers will return to Europe after the White House consultations and resume his schedule. Mr. Rogers was recalled from Bonn even before he had talked with West German Chancellor Willy Brandt. The return forced indefinite postponement of planned visits to Paris and Rome. (Erester, AP)

U.S. jets down 3 Migs

SAIGON — American warplanes shot down three Soviet built Mig interceptors 130 kms. south of Hanoi and knocked out scores of North Vietnamese tanks and supply trucks attempting to breach the defenses of South Vietnam's old imperial capital of Hue, the U.S. command announced yesterday. The South Vietnamese defense lines north of Hue were reported holding firm.

A Navy A-7 attack plane was shot down by a surface-to-air missile on Saturday in continuing air raids over North Vietnam, and the 7th Fleet destroyer Hanford was hit by shore batteries while bombarding the North Vietnamese coastline from the Tonkin Gulf. The pilot of the A-7 was reported missing. The U.S. Command said there were no casualties aboard the Hanford, and damage was minor.

The three Migs downed on Saturday included two supersonic Mig-21s, and a Mig-17, the U.S. Command said.

A Navy F-4 Phantom shot down the Mig-17 early yesterday afternoon. Several hours later, two more Navy F-4s clashed with the two Mig-21s, downing both, the announcement said. The kills raised to 122 the total number of North Vietnamese Migs shot down by U.S. aircraft since June 17, 1965, when raids over the north began.

The North Vietnamese news agency reported yesterday that American planes had attacked Nam Dinh, third largest city 80 kms. south of Hanoi. But there was no word from the American side about this raid, said to have taken place on Saturday.

In a delayed report, field sources said a U.S. Phantom fighter-bomber hit a village by mistake on Friday and killed nine South Vietnamese and wounded 21 at My Chanb, 32 kms. north of Hue.

While the South Vietnamese defense lines north of Hue held firm, North Vietnamese forces threatened to tumble three frontier base camps in the Central Highlands to the west and northwest of the provincial capital of Kontum City, itself said to be a target of the 39-day North Vietnamese offensive.

A new tank threat was reported for the first time in the populous coastal lowlands 120 kms. to the east. The Saigon Command reported that three armoured vehicles were sighted in the southern part of Quang Ngai province, 150 kms. south of Danang. They said South Vietnam

Shapiro denies receipt of overflight request

Justice Minister Y. S. Shapiro — who served as Acting Prime Minister during Mrs. Meir's absence abroad — told the Cabinet yesterday that there was no truth whatsoever in reports that Jordan had sought permission to overfly Israel or Israel-held areas. Mr. Shapiro was asked whether any request had been received for such a flight from Amman to Beirut. He denied the report absolutely.

Castro in Freetown
FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (Reuters) — Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro arrived here yesterday from Cuba to pay a short visit to Sierra Leone President Siaka Stevens.



Capt. Tran Van Tuan, sporting a chest-full of medals, carries flag during parade in the near-empty streets of Hue. The 70-year-old veteran of the French and South Vietnamese armies is part of the city "defence divisions" of workers and civilians charged with the last-ditch defence of the old imperial capital against the North Vietnamese. (AP radiophoto)

mass bombers attacked the tanks and a large column of North Vietnamese troops, knocking out all three tanks and killing 50 of the Communists. There was speculation that the tanks were American-made vehicles lost by the South Vietnamese.

The U.S. Command reported in a communique that American fighter-bombers flew 350 tactical air strikes against North Vietnamese positions in South Vietnam during the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. local time yesterday. The command reported 17 Communist tanks, "Corriere Della Sera," Gen. Navarre said the Americans had made a "major error" by withdrawing their ground forces from Vietnam. (AP, Erester, UPI) (Vietnam stories — Page 3)

We mourn the death of our beloved
ABRAHAM (Abe) WHITE
The funeral leaves tomorrow, Tuesday, May 9, 1972, 12 p.m. from Beit Ezerim, Rehov Weizmann, Tel Aviv, to the Holon cemetery. A bus will be at the mourners' disposal.
His wife, Balke
His daughter, Jane Flinders
and the family

OUR BELOVED
Dr. EGON NATH
IS NO MORE
The funeral takes place at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery today, Monday, May 8, 1972 at 3.30 p.m. A bus will leave from the deceased's home, 10 Rehov Sokolov, Tel Aviv, at 2.45 p.m.
Marta Nath
Dina and Ami Shavit

We are shocked and grieved to learn that our dear colleague
Dr. EGON NATH
who spent more than 18 years devotedly in the service of our organization, met with his accidental death in the mountains of our country.
We mourn this tragic loss and extend our sympathies to his bereaved family.
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Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
The joint Israel-Rumanian communique has a significance which exceeds the largely generalized terms in which it is couched.
Firstly, the very fact that a joint communique was issued is significant in itself. The Rumanians' interpretation of the key November 1967 Security Council Resolution is close to that of Egypt and Russia: total Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories. For a joint communique to be issued, the Rumanians had to forgo restating their interpretation — since Israel does not accept it and could not have signed a statement which included it.

The Rumanians preferred to omit their interpretation — their Prime Minister, Mr. Maurer, had spelled it out clearly at the dinner in Mrs. Meir's honour — in favour of a joint communique.
Another notable omission from the communique was any specific reference to the Palestinian People — another point of divergence between the two signatories. Instead, the communique merely "reaffirmed the necessity that relations among states... be based... on the right of each people to decide freely its own fate."

The Rumanian determination to arrive at a joint communique — instead of the alternative "parallel statements" in which each side expresses its own view — can only be seen as a demonstrative show of independence from the Soviets on the one hand, and of friendship towards Israel on the other.

The phrase "mutual advantage" occurs twice in the communique, and observers recall in this connection the "New York Times" report last week — not denied by Israel or Rumania — that Rumania imports its oil via the Elbat-Ashkelon pipeline. Rumania's "advantage" in this is clear: to keep its industry independent of Soviet oil supplies. The communique "expressed the opinion that there were stable fields in which the bilateral relations could be intensified and developed."

Now that the visit is over, President Ceausescu is expected to report on Israel's visit to President Sadat of Egypt. Although Rumania did not accept Israel's view on "secure borders," a member of the Israeli delegation told *The Post* he was sure Messrs. Ceausescu and Maurer now have a much fuller understanding of that view. (See leader, col. 1)

By MARK SEGAL Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — Prime Minister Golda Meir returned home yesterday from her state visit to Rumania and declared: "I come home with a very good feeling and I am very satisfied with the visit. I return from a visit that was interesting, very friendly and of considerable importance." She said both Israel and Rumania agreed that peace in the Middle East should be achieved by political means.

In answer to a question, Mrs. Meir said Rumania had not offered itself as a mediator between Israel and the Arab states. "Rumania did not make such an offer in the past, or this time. She added that Rumania could help Israel by bringing the two sides together to start negotiations, for Bucharest had maintained good relations with both sides.

The Premier seemed to be in an excellent mood when she descended from the special El Al flight that brought her home from Bucharest, together with her party and some Israeli newsmen who covered the mission.

In an unusual departure from protocol, she was greeted on the tarmac by President Shazar. Also there were Justice Minister Yaacov Shimshon Shapiro, who served as acting Premier in her absence, and Transport Minister Shimon Peres.

BLUE CARPET
Mrs. Meir crossed the blue carpet laid out from the plane to the airport terminal entrance to be greeted by tumultuous applause by the waiting crowd and passengers. In the V.I.P. lounge she shook hands with practically all members of her Cabinet, the Chief of Staff and senior officials.

When Tourism Minister Moshe Kol asked her jocularly in Rumanian "Ce faci?" (how are you?), she came back with: "Foarte bine" (very well) to everyone's amusement.

Sitting between the President and Mr. Shapiro, Mrs. Meir faced a huge battery of TV and news cameras and microphones, and said she would only make a short announcement, since an official communique was to be released later in the day.

'SATISFYING' VISIT

She registered her satisfaction with the visit, terming it "interesting, very friendly" and of considerable importance. She went on "I return home with gratitude to the Government of Rumania for its invitation and the possibility of visiting that country. I was given — most generously — an opportunity to converse with the President of Rumania and the Rumanian Prime Minister. These were most friendly talks indeed, and we discussed issues of common interest to both countries, and we expressed our wish to expand even further the excellent relations obtaining between Rumania and Israel. In my talks with my hosts we touched on the problem of the region in which we are interested and on Rumania's interests in our region, as a country that seeks peace in this region and the world at large, a view on which

there was no disagreement. I return home with a very good feeling and I am very pleased with the visit." Mrs. Meir announced that she had invited the Rumanian Premier and Mr. Maurer to visit Israel and that they had accepted. "And we will be privileged to see them here soon." She also noted having invited President Ceausescu, hoping he would also come to Israel.

Answering questions on whether her visit helped to break the Arab-Israeli impasse, Mrs. Meir replied: "I do not understand which opening had to be made by my talks in Rumania to break the impasse in the Arab-Israeli conflict. I heard from many Rumanian hosts of their talks with our neighbours and they asked for our views. In our joint statement, it will also be mentioned that both countries seek peace by a political solution — and these things have not been stated for the first time."

WRONG VISIT
She responded tersely to a question on what President Ceausescu told her on his meeting with President Sadat: "I am certainly not the address for such a question. It should be put to one of those who took part in such a meeting."

To another questioner, she replied with a smile: "To my deep sorrow neither I nor anyone of my party met with any Arab representative in Rumania." She added: "We are ready and willing to negotiate with our neighbours and we were always ready for that, whether it involves a partial or an overall settlement... If the Rumanian President did obtain the impression after visiting Cairo that Sadat indeed seeks peace and if that impression turns out to be correct — and I do hope that is so — there is absolutely no reason why the two sides should not take concrete steps to move in that direction. The Rumanians believe that the only solution to the conflict in this region is one of peace, namely that it will be reached by political means and not by warfare."

When asked how relations between Rumania and Israel could be made closer, the Prime Minister said that in her talks with President Ceausescu she did not go into details, but experts of both sides meet from time to time, and they could meet even more often in order

to deepen the ties between the two countries.
Mrs. Meir dwelt on her visit on Shabbat eve to the Bucharest synagogue. "The synagogue was absolutely packed with worshippers, and they had a wonderful choir of boys and girls, who also sang 'Jerusalem the Golden.'" I conveyed to these Jews warm regards from the Jews in Israel and from immigrants from Rumania, and they conveyed through me their warmest blessings to Israel and its inhabitants."

Asked whether there was any hope of progress in the Middle East before the Nixon summit in Moscow, she replied: "We have always prayed for the Messiah in the hope that He would arrive. We are preparing for peace in the same fashion, for peace is vital both to us and our neighbours. But that cannot hinge on other things happening in the world. For we are ready for peace talks any hour of the day or night."
(Joint statement Page 2; Meir interview Page 3)

Meir's visit stirs European interest—Eban

LOD AIRPORT. — Premier Golda Meir's official visit to Rumania — while an important event in the relations between that country and Israel — should not be seen as having any significance with regard to Israel's relations with the Soviet Union or China. This was stated by Foreign Minister Abba Eban, who returned yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Eban from a private visit to London and a visit to Switzerland on behalf of Israel Bonds.

Speaking to reporters, Mr. Eban said the Prime Minister's visit had aroused great interest and expectations throughout Europe.

Asked about the Middle East situation, the Foreign Minister said the option of Israel's neighbours for war was becoming less "credible." The present situation, while undesirable, is not intolerable," he said. As far as Israel is concerned, he added, a partial settlement — the opening of the Suez Canal — still could meet even more often in order

33 Soviet Jews fast for right to emigrate

MOSCOW. — Thirty-three Jews in three Baltic cities yesterday morning began a three-day fast and prayer reading designed as a "symbolic appeal to God to help them get to Israel." Jewish sources reported.

They said by telephone from Riga, capital of Soviet Latvia, that 20 young Jews in that city were fasting and reading the Psalms. They added that eight Jews in Vilna, capital of Soviet Lithuania, and five more in the Lithuanian city of Kaunas were doing the same.

The source said most of the Jews have begun the long bureaucratic process of trying to get exit visas for Israel. They added that many had been refused and others have waited a long time for an answer.

From New York it was reported yesterday that the Soviet secret police (K.G.B.) has launched a manhunt for Gavriel Shapiro of Moscow, one of the 11 Soviet Jewish activists who was called for army reserve duty recently. According to the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, Shapiro and the 10 others "have gone into hiding."

In a telephone conversation with activist Boris Kogen and Shapiro's parents, the S.S.S.J. was told that five militia officers came to Shapiro's home on Saturday night and warned him that refusal to report for reserve duty would result in a seven-year prison sentence in Siberia. The officers also warned that

the same fate was in store for the other 10.
According to the S.S.S.J., the militia officers and the K.G.B. appeared at the homes of the other ten activists who have gone into hiding to seek their whereabouts.
Meanwhile, the S.S.S.J. reported yesterday that two more Jewish activists have been ordered to report for duty. Their names were not immediately available. (AP, INA)

(See leader, Col. 1)

Sadat to Libya

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will arrive in Libya today for his fourth round of talks with Mu'ammer Gaddafi within two months, devoted for what was being described by Cairo as "mobilizing pan-Arab resources for the coming battle" with Israel.

Sadat's talks with his staunch ally are likely also to deal with Cairo's efforts to settle disputes between all Arab capitals, and to clarify the Arab relations with the Soviet Union. The Egyptian President will be coming to Libya from Tunisia, where he will wind up a three-day visit this afternoon. Sadat had earlier visited Algeria, along with Gaddafi, for summit talks with Algerian President Houari Boumediene.

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Social and Personal

Swiss author Hans Habe and Mrs. Habe yesterday called on Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, in Tel Aviv.

Professor Charles Gillispie, chairman of Princeton University's Department of History and visiting professor at the Weizmann Institute, yesterday delivered the second of two lectures on "Science and Politics in the French Revolution." The lecture was attended by the French Ambassador and Mrs. Francis Hure; the French Scientific Attaché, Mr. Michel de-Guillebon; and Cultural Attaché Jean Soler. A reception for Prof. and Mrs. Gillispie was given after the lecture by Prof. Albert Sabla, president of the Weizmann Institute.

Forty members of U.S. National War College visited the Weizmann Institute of Science on Sunday and met the vice-president, Prof. Israel Dostrovsky.

Professor G. H. N. Seton-Watson, F.B.A., Professor for Slavonic and East-European Studies, University of London, will lecture on "Nationalism, supra-Nationalism and Repression—the modern Fate of Central Europe," tonight at 7 p.m., at the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, 43 Rehov Jabotinsky.

Jerusalem West Rotary will hold its weekly meeting at 7 p.m. today, President Hotel, Mr. Stuart Duncan Maxwell, of South Africa, will speak on "Gardening and Agriculture."

Yokoi told to 'avoid people'

NAGOYA, Japan (AP). — Doctors have ordered a former Japanese army sergeant, home after hiding 28 years in jungles on Guam, to avoid meeting people for the next three months. They said he appeared to be mentally disturbed.

The order came after World War II soldier Shoichi Yokoi surprised newsmen on Thursday by saying he and two comrades had shot and killed two Guam residents in self-defense at the jungle hideout eight years ago. Yokoi, 57, later retracted his statement, saying he had only heard about the killings from the comrades, who later died of malnutrition.

Doctors examining Yokoi at the request of the Aichi Prefectural Government said he seemed to be mentally disturbed, probably because of letters he has received accusing him of being a runaway soldier. He had been advised on Friday "not to receive any visitors or letters for the time being."

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ABRAHAM LIFSHITZ ז"ל

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The funeral will leave today, Monday, May 8, 1972 at 9:30 a.m. from Eden Hotel, Rehov Hillel, and from the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour at 9:45 a.m. to Har Hamezuhot, Jerusalem.

His daughters: HAYA and ABRAHAM ASSEO
RACHEL LIFSHITZ

His grandchildren: Gilead and Carmel Asseo

His sister-in-law: Hannah and Abraham Daskal and family.

Jerusalem, May 7, 1972

India lost outpost in Kashmir shooting

NEW DELHI (UPI). — India and Pakistan observed a cease-fire in Kashmir yesterday and appeared to have backed off at least momentarily from a further confrontation that could scuttle peace talks between the two nations.

Defence Ministry spokesman said that the local commanders of both sides met under a flag of truce during the day in an attempt to sort out the 36-hour battle which raged at the Kalyan outpost, 720 kms. north New Delhi, until Saturday night.

Senior Indian and Pakistan commanders ordered their units to cease firing on Saturday night after conferring with each other's "fronts" that were established at the end of last December's 14-day war.

Indian military sources said the situation at the outpost was "not yet clear," but government sources said outnumbered Indian troops had been forced to give up a mountain post, one of a number captured during the war.

On the Rumanian side: George Macovecu, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ioan Covaci, Ambassador of Rumania in Israel, Vasile Rauta, Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, and Emilias Mancu, Director in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

On the Israeli side: Raphael Ben-Shalom, Ambassador of Israel in Rumania, Simha Dinitz, Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office and the Prime Minister's political adviser, Brigadier Israel Lior, military secretary of the Prime Minister, and Johanan Cohen, Director of the East Europe Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

During the talks, which were held in a cordial atmosphere, the two heads of government made an exchange of views on the present state of bilateral relations and on the possibilities for their further development, as well as on international issues of mutual interest.

DEBATE TODAY

The government, meanwhile prepared for a parliamentary debate today in which right wing members were expected to debate the incident and demand punitive measures against Pakistan.

Defence officials indicated they would be reluctant to disclose further details of the incident or yesterday's meeting because of the debate. Government sources also said they did not want to do anything to jeopardize the forthcoming summit between Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and Pakistan President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

The incident, described by Indian officials as the most serious of the

Bombing wave after Turkish executions

ISTANBUL (UPI). — Seven bomb explosions rocked Turkey's largest city early yesterday on the heels of the execution in Ankara of three convicted anarchists.

The bombs destroyed a store and apartment and injured four persons, one of them a law student who police said lost both hands and a leg when a bomb exploded before he could throw it.

Acting Premier Ferit Melen warned the nation to be alert against anarchist sabotage attempts. The armed forces remained on emergency alert for attacks by urban guerrillas who tried to assassinate the nation's police commander and who hijacked an airliner last week in a vain attempt to prevent Saturday's executions.

One bomb was hurled from a speeding sports car in the crowded Sisli district, destroying a store and apartment and injuring a night watchman. Two night watchmen were injured in another bombing and a firebomb was tossed into a locomotive standing in a railway station, but did no damage.

Japan rightists attack Peking

TOKYO (Reuters). — Members of a right wing organization drove around central Tokyo yesterday in a loudspeaker van dragging a Communist Chinese flag in the dust and chanting anti-Peking slogans.

It was the second time in less than a week that Japanese rightists have staged protests involving the Chinese flag.

Last Tuesday several demonstrators trampled on a flag and a photograph of Chairman Mao Tse-tung outside the permanent office of a Chinese trade mission here in a protest against Japanese Government attempts to improve relations with Peking.

China strongly protested against the incident last Friday.

In 1958 a similar flag incident resulted in an abrupt cooling of unofficial Sino-Japanese relations and the impact is still being felt.

French easing money controls

PARIS (Reuters). — French tourists planning a holiday abroad received a boost from the government yesterday when it eased strict exchange controls.

Instead of being allowed to take only 50 francs (about IL44) in cash they will now be able to take 500 francs (about IL440). As of yesterday they will also be able to send up to 1,000 francs (about IL880) abroad without government authorization, and will be able to transfer up to 150,000 francs (about IL125,000) to buy a house.

France will retain its two-tier or double-market system of exchange for the franc which was set up last September to protect the economy. But businessmen will benefit under new arrangements by obtaining a lower exchange rate to pay for services, mainly transport, overseas at the commercial rate set by the government. Previously these were paid for in financial francs — the highest rate obtainable on exchange markets abroad.

A statement by Finance Minister Valéry Giscard d'Estaing explained that the restrictions were being eased because of the current equilibrium of the French balance of payments and the stability of the exchange markets since last December.

Hope not lost for 47 miners

KELLOGG, Idaho (Reuters). — A television camera was being lowered slowly down a ventilator shaft at the Sunshine silver mine here yesterday as the first step in an attempt to find 47 men still missing after a fire last Tuesday.

No indications have been received that any of the 47 are still alive. But mine officials say they hope to find them huddled beneath compressed air valves at the bottom of the 1,600-metre-deep mine — biggest and richest in the U.S. Thirty-five bodies have so far been found, mostly at the middle level where the fire broke out.

The television camera was being sent down to spy out the one-metre-wide ventilator shaft to see if a 86-cm-wide manned "torpedo" can be sent down without getting stuck. When and if it is lowered, the "torpedo" will be converted into an ambulance to haul out any survivors.

First hip transplant performed in Bonn

BONN, Germany (AP). — Orthopedic surgeons at Bonn University Clinic have carried out the first transplant of a complete hip joint.

An unidentified 17-year-old youth, whose right hip was deformed by illness, received the hip joint of an unidentified dead donor in a three-hour operation on April 25 at the clinic.

Father to Gershon Samuel and his family

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Nina and Alfred Rosen
Dr. Robert Grunberg

Our heartfelt thanks to all who comforted us with their sympathy upon the loss of our wife and mother

ELLEN

EMILIO TRAUBNER
DANIELA, ADA

Twenty-six students to face trial in Cairo

CAIRO (AP). — Twenty-six students, arrested last week after campus unrest, have been transferred to the Prison of Appeal and will be held for trial, it was announced yesterday.

The students were accused of destroying public property at the Agricultural Cooperative Institute in the Cairo suburb of Shubra el-Kheima, setting fire to the dean's car and resisting efforts of firemen to extinguish the blaze, the Cairo press reported yesterday.

Earlier press reports said phone lines were cut, and other private property set afire and that police were investigating whether this was purely an internal matter or if outside elements were involved.

Dr. FELIX RABINOWICZ ז"ל

A memorial meeting will be held on Thursday May 11, 1972, at 4:30 p.m. at the Holon cemetery. Assembly at the new gate

LILLI and BENJAMIN RABINOWICZ and the family

FATHER

His Colleagues at the Physics Department
Weizmann Institute of Science

ISRAEL-RUMANIA JOINT STATEMENT

At the invitation of the Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Socialist Republic of Rumania, Ion Gheorghe Maurer, the Prime Minister of Israel, Golda Meir, paid an official visit to the Socialist Republic of Rumania, between May 4 and 7, 1972.

During her stay in Rumania, the Prime Minister of Israel was received by the President of the State Council of the Socialist Republic of Rumania, Nicolae Ceausescu. The President and Mrs. Elana Ceausescu gave a lunch in honour of Mrs. Meir. The distinguished guest and the persons accompanying her visited economic and cultural units in Bucharest and the Ilfov district.

Mr. Ion Gheorghe Maurer and Mrs. Golda Meir held official talks, attended by:

On the Rumanian side: George Macovecu, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Ioan Covaci, Ambassador of Rumania in Israel, Vasile Rauta, Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, and Emilias Mancu, Director in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

On the Israeli side: Raphael Ben-Shalom, Ambassador of Israel in Rumania, Simha Dinitz, Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office and the Prime Minister's political adviser, Brigadier Israel Lior, military secretary of the Prime Minister, and Johanan Cohen, Director of the East Europe Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

During the talks, which were held in a cordial atmosphere, the two heads of government made an exchange of views on the present state of bilateral relations and on the possibilities for their further development, as well as on international issues of mutual interest.

Chaplin feared assassination in Hollywood

LOS ANGELES (UPI). — Silent film comedian Charles Chaplin feared assassination during his 14-month's trip to Hollywood to receive a special Academy Award, his bodyguards said yesterday.

William C. Jordan, former Los Angeles police lieutenant who heads Computer Investigations Associated, said: "He expected to be shot over here. Chaplin went away so fast, I think, because he was fearful."

Jordan said Chaplin received death threats before he left Switzerland for New York on the first leg of the trip to Los Angeles. In Los Angeles there were at least a dozen more threats. "All the threats were anonymous. Most of them came by telephone. They said they were going to kill Chaplin. With anonymous phonecalls there isn't much you can do, so we had to have the security assume that someone would try."

There were no attempts to harm Chaplin in Los Angeles, Jordan said. "Someone might have come with different intentions and seen four or five guards around and changed his mind."

Bombing wave after Turkish executions

ISTANBUL (UPI). — Seven bomb explosions rocked Turkey's largest city early yesterday on the heels of the execution in Ankara of three convicted anarchists.

The bombs destroyed a store and apartment and injured four persons, one of them a law student who police said lost both hands and a leg when a bomb exploded before he could throw it.

Acting Premier Ferit Melen warned the nation to be alert against anarchist sabotage attempts. The armed forces remained on emergency alert for attacks by urban guerrillas who tried to assassinate the nation's police commander and who hijacked an airliner last week in a vain attempt to prevent Saturday's executions.

One bomb was hurled from a speeding sports car in the crowded Sisli district, destroying a store and apartment and injuring a night watchman. Two night watchmen were injured in another bombing and a firebomb was tossed into a locomotive standing in a railway station, but did no damage.

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Wallace wins N. Carolina primary

RALPHIGH, North Carolina. — Alabama Governor George C. Wallace has moved into second place in the race for Democratic delegate votes by taking 50 per cent of the votes in North Carolina's first presidential primary.

Wallace's victory on Saturday pushed him ahead of Sen. Hubert Humphrey as the runner-up to Sen. George McGovern.

Mr. Wallace's chief opponent, former State Governor Terry Sanford, now President of Duke University, received 37 per cent of the vote and New York Black Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm 8 per cent.

Sen. Edmund Muskie and Sen. Henry Jackson, both of whom have withdrawn from active campaigning in the primaries, received four per cent and one per cent respectively.

Governor Wallace, who stressed his opposition to forced busing of school children to achieve racial balance, appeared to be winning 36 of the state's delegates to the Democratic National Convention, with the other 28 going to Mr. Sanford, who won a reputation as a racial liberal during his term as governor.

Wallace's victory was seen as being the more impressive for the fact that he had spent most of the past week campaigning in other states, while ex-Governor Sanford had blitzed the state with personal appearances and TV advertisements. (Reuters, AP)

Grechko to visit Syria

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter, Soviet Defence Minister Marshal Andrei Grechko will begin a four-day visit to Syria on Wednesday, it was officially announced in Moscow and Damascus yesterday.

Marshal Grechko was originally scheduled to visit Syria last January but the trip was put off when he suddenly fell ill during a visit to Iraq.

The purpose of Marshal Grechko's visit to Syria was not disclosed. Syria last February played host to a top-level Soviet delegation headed by Deputy Premier Kirill Maslennikov, who signed what Tass described as "important documents" on economic and military assistance "strengthening the defence potential of Syria."

Observers expect Marshal Grechko to discuss the military items which Syria had requested recently in a reported bid to equip its army with the same sophisticated Russian weaponry which it is said is being supplied to Egypt.

Marshal Grechko's arrival in Damascus takes place against a background of ferment within the Syrian Communist Party, said to be opposing the recent formation by President Hafez Assad of a "National Front" embracing the various Syrian political groupings, including the ruling Ba'ath Party.

Some Beirut press reports said that the Syrian Communists want more adequate representation in the Front, whose various member groups are currently represented in government and state institutions. Other reports said that Communists feared Assad would in the future turn the Front into one political system, to be known as the Arab Socialist Union, in line with Egypt and Libya, Syria's partners in a tripartite federation.

More Burundian plotters executed

KAMPALA (Reuters). — The government radio station in Burundi announced yesterday that an unspecified number of people had been executed for their part in a coup attempt last weekend against the government of President Michel Micombero.

The radio, in a broadcast monitored here, said that "the war councils met on Saturday to try those implicated in massacres, looting and arson. After due consideration, the military tribunals sentenced to death a number of Burundian nationals.

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Belfast Catholics fight Protestants

BELFAST (UPI). — British riot troops waded into a street battle between Roman Catholic and Protestant youths here yesterday and separated the rival gangs with billy clubs.

The youths fought hand-to-hand battles and pelted each other with stones and bottles along the New Lodge Road area, a traditional stronghold of the militant "Provisional" wing of the I.R.A. Windows were smashed and cars wrecked in the foray.

The trouble began shortly after midnight when denim-clad Protestant gangs attempted to invade the Catholic area chanting "I.R.A. out" and "Jail for the rebels." They were met with a hail of rocks and bottles from Catholic youths who poured out of the maze of side streets.

British troops rushed between them, pummeling both sides with billy clubs and hustling the Protestant youths back to their own district.

In Londonderry, a British soldier was wounded in the foot at an army post in the Catholic Brandywell district in one of the series of attacks by I.R.A. snipers in Londonderry and Belfast during the night.

At Rathfriland, south of Belfast, troops and police narrowly escaped injury when four bomb explosions wrecked a health centre.

The British Army put on display over the weekend its latest aid to the comfort of troops serving in Northern Ireland — a 100-lb. bulletproof bed.

A spokesman said all soldiers in high risk areas would be issued the bed. Many of the army's improvised barracks are old abandoned buildings with thin walls which could be penetrated by bullets from high velocity rifles, he said. "With the calibre of the ammunition being used now by the I.R.A., this is a very necessary safety measure," the spokesman said.

Hunt for skydiver-hijacker

MIAMI, Florida (Reuters). — Two skydivers hijacked on opposite sides of the U.S. were back home yesterday while police hunted for one of the hijackers — a parachutist carrying \$303,000 in the jungles of Central America.

The other hijacker, identified by the F.B.I. as Michael Lynn Hansen, 21, of Salt Lake City, Utah, remained behind in Havana.

But the pilot who took him there said he had "promised to return to the U.S. and keep commandingeer planes until the United States stops bombing Indo-China."

The Eastern Air Lines Boeing-737 which carried the parachutist to Honduras was hijacked on Friday afternoon over Pennsylvania. The Western Airlines Boeing 737 which went to Havana was commandeered shortly afterward near Los Angeles.

The search for the parachutist was centred in the remote Fico

RAAF Mirage wreck found in Malaysia

SINGAPORE (AP). — A ground party found the body of Flying Officer Lloyd M. Smith yesterday in the wreckage of his Royal Australian Air Force Mirage, which crashed on Friday during night exercises.

Smith, 25, could not eject when his jet crashed into a 2,164m. mountain peak.

A RAAF helicopter reached the wreckage on Saturday but its crew had to leave after a brief investigation because of bad weather.

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Former inmates and relatives from all over Europe yesterday walked in a silent march over the grounds of Dachau concentration camp to mark the 27th anniversary of the camp's liberation by the U.S. Army. (AP radiophoto)

VIETNAM RETREAT: WHO'S TO BLAME?



Over-optimistic field reports seem to have misled the U.S. army establishment, writes Gavin Young here. In a second article on this page he writes of the war and the individual.



General Creighton Abrams... the boss on the spot.

SAIGON (Otns). — The worst that could happen in the north of South Vietnam is, barring miracles, about to happen. Hue, the once glorious capital of Annam, the jewel of central Vietnam, seems ready to fall to the North Vietnamese Army.

If they are lost to the South, the two northern provinces are most unlikely ever to be retaken. The provincial capitals, Quang Tri and Hue, will have gone for good and will be Communized by force. The terrain rules against recapture. To the north is the Demilitarized Zone and North Vietnam itself, to the west the convenient and attack-proof mountains that slope over into Laos and enclose the tentacles of the Ho Chi Minh trail. To the south a great mountain ridge blocks the way to Da Nang, the last great American air base.

At the very beginning of the present North Vietnamese offensive in early April, I sat in Saigon talking about the prospects in the northern front with a sensible British military observer. It did not seem too bad then. "If Quang Tri falls," he said, "that's bad, but it would not give the North a particularly powerful edge over the Americans and South Vietnamese at

the negotiating table. But Hue, now that's a different thing. That's a major prize. The North could negotiate with Hue."

The North Vietnamese may not negotiate on the crest of the wave — they may go for more and more spectacular things, timing perhaps at a final, tumultuous breakup of the entire South Vietnamese Army. But short of that Hue is a stupendous prize. That is why the Americans sacrificed so many men to retake it in 1968; it is the second city of South Vietnam.

With Hue and the two northern provinces of Quang Tri and Thuan Thien gone and Binh Dinh and Quang Ngai virtually lost in the centre, even Da Nang, the place that because of its size somehow symbolizes the American presence more than any other city in Vietnam, Saigon included, will be threatened and isolated. If Kontum falls almost the entire northern third of South Vietnam will have been lost.

It will be argued in official offices in Saigon, no doubt, that the vast bulk of the population lives in the Mekong Delta and green areas around Saigon. This is true. But Saigon and the Delta are still a mere rump of Vietnam.

And it is impossible to exaggerate the psychological effect on the rest of South Vietnam of the loss of the northern provinces. The impact on the army alone is unfathomably great. The people of Hue of course have sons, brothers, uncles and husbands in army units and offices all over South Vietnam. Their despair will be immeasurable. Will it induce the spirit of Dunkirk or lead them to give up the military ghost? The latter, very likely.

But whether Hue falls or is saved in the nick of time and lingers on under siege, how has the North Vietnamese advance been so successful? The heads of generals are beginning to roll — the commander of the two northern provinces, General Lam, and the commander of the Third Division, General Giai, whose responsibility it was to defend Quang Tri and Dong Ha, are both reported to be dismissed and facing investigations into their professional conduct. In the case of Lam action has come rather late in most observers' estimation. He has never impressed foreign onlookers.

General Giai has. I remember him as a colonel in Dong Ha two years ago. Tough, no-nonsense, one would have said, a calm and confident Northerner.

But now Quang Tri is in ruins and ashes, let alone Dong Ha. An unappealing little town at the best of times, General Giai is rumored to be missing, though some reports say he made it back to Hue.

But who is to blame? Why not for example the American advisers and their ultimate boss-on-the-spot, General Creighton Abrams? The state of morale in South Vietnam's Army is not perhaps their responsibility. But did they fail to predict the failure of American shelling and air power to halt a conventional North Vietnamese advance down a flat coastal plain without benefit of air cover?

It seems that no one did that. So, out of Vietnam's agony and a spectacular debacle is a new military truth about to be born? That bombs and shells cannot halt a determined offensive without adequate ground forces acting aggressively in cooperation with the gunners and airmen? Or was that known before — in which case how does one account for the manifest optimism in high military and ambassadorial quarters in Saigon since the offensive began?

Once more over-optimistic field reports in Vietnam seem to have bam-

boozed American staff officers in Saigon and then, by extension, in Washington.

Mr. Ellsworth Bunker, the American Ambassador in Saigon for the last five years, was confidently (or that was his assumed expression) predicting last month that the offensive would run out of steam after six or seven weeks. That would mean it should collapse about this week. Yet the Northerners are steaming ahead.

It is true that some of the human material found fighting in northern units near Quang Tri was of surprisingly low calibre — farmers' boys, lost and bewildered. Perhaps the North, too, after these dragging years of war and casualties is scraping the bottom of the call-up barrel and this is the last desperate fling. The South Vietnamese lost 1,150 men killed in the week of President Nixon's "bombing Hanoi" speech, and 1,000 the week before. These are official figures and they match the worst days of 1964 to 1965.

The true figures are probably higher. The North Vietnamese casualties could be higher still. But the world and the leaders in Saigon and Hanoi are accustomed to, perhaps even blasé about such figures now.

And it is by now quite unrealistic to underestimate North Vietnamese endurance and invention.

Throughout this war and particularly in this present offensive the Northerners have consistently outmaneuvered the South Vietnamese and American officers by the use of something that hardly seems to exist in Saigon — imagination; that is Hanoi's secret weapon.

In the battle that has swirled for three weeks around the provincial capital of An Loc, 60 miles from Saigon, the Americans tried using napalm for a while. But the Communists were a match for them. As soon as their soldiers saw the deadly canisters of fire falling onto them they plunged into foxholes, pulled small portable sheets of corrugated iron over their bodies and held their breath. Not all survived of course. But enough did to carry on the battle.

Overwhelming technical advantage when matched against simple old-fashioned human grit and resourcefulness is a good deal less than overwhelming. That fact of course is the major lesson of this war. And very likely will be the death of Hue.

Ups and downs of Vien's war

SAIGON (Otns). — The journalistic language used to describe the battle has been very emotive. Some Americans have also tried to speak as outraged mouthpieces for Vietnamese.

My friend Captain Vien, however, certainly would not like anybody from abroad to speak for him — not that they could. He is a gentle person from a poor family, originally from the North, now living in Cholon, the Chinese quarter of Saigon. He has a large wife and a tiny baby. He has been working in an office in Saigon for some time. Two weeks ago he was sent for by his major and told to go to the extreme northern city of Quang Tri which was captured by North Vietnamese troops this week.

"Pick up some North Vietnamese prisoners who have decided to defect and come back," said the major. Vien came excitedly round to my small hotel.

Many Vietcong there

He sat on a sofa and screwed his face up in mock tragedy. "I must go to Quang Tri," he croaked miserably back and forth. "Many, many VC there. Maybe die."

"Maybe you get a medal," I said. "No want medal," wailed Vien. "Want stay Saigon."

"Maybe they make you major," I said. "No want to be major. Want to be captain — even lieutenant — but stay in Saigon."

He seized my arm. "When I tell my mother and father I go to Quang Tri they cry very much." He ran his fingers down his cheeks indicating tears.

Even so, he was half-grinning. "I know, maybe I give my major some money not to go to Quang Tri. But I have not much money. Could you...?"

"No," I said. Vien seemed not to mind. He stood up, polished his stars, and put his hands on my shoulders. "I will not say goodbye. That's bad luck. So — see you soon." He made a consciously slow, sad exit.

Three days later he was back.



bouncing in, full of life and pride. "It was nothing," he said happily. "Now I can go to Quang Tri any time and not be afraid." He had in fact brought back a North Vietnamese colonel and a major among other Hanoi soldiers who had been captured and then defected.

"Do you think the North Vietnamese will come into Saigon," I asked him.

"No, no, no... impossible. We cannot have North Vietnamese in here. No good, no good," said Vien indignantly.

"But you are North Vietnamese?" "Yes," Vien grinned. "But I good North Vietnamese. I believe about Buddha. Hanoi is like you, not believing."

A week later, back he came to my hotel. "I'm off to An Loc," he said.

He looked unhappy. "No want to go," he said. "An Loc is about 60 miles north-west of Saigon and has been the scene of a furious battle involving tanks and infantry for three weeks. I thought this was more dangerous than Quang Tri. I had been ambushed on the road to An Loc the same week. But I didn't say so to Vien."

"I am going to collect some more prisoners. You think I die?" "Of course not," I said.

A few days and he was back. He fell, bearing into the room like a puppy. He might have taken the whole North Vietnamese Army on single-handed and routed it.

"Phew! You know An Loc very full of VC," he said. "When we came down over An Loc in our American helicopter I saw all those soldiers sitting on tanks in the streets. Some drinking soft drinks outside shops. I think they must be our men. But my major says that those are all North Vietnamese. I am so shocked and very scared, I fall out of helicopter head first. Very painful," Vien laughed and rubbed a large lump on his forehead.

"Sorry, must go," he said soon. "I must go see prisoners — I brought back 13. Then to hospital see my brother."

Vien's brother, a pilot, was shot down recently and lost his left hand — something Vien accepts quite unemotionally.

Vien will go on to be a major — at least that is his ambition. He

does feel that the North Vietnamese have an edge on his colleagues because he thinks only in the South is there marriage, love and concern of husbands for the wives back home. These things are good, he thinks, but inhibit heroism in the field.

South Vietnamese soldiers, we all know by now, are not the best in the world. After all these years of war, why should they be? But some run and some do not. They do not desert. There have been panics in the face of oncoming North Vietnamese tanks these last weeks, but units have not gone over to the North Vietnamese, though opportunity was certainly knocking.

Perhaps Vien is typical. But he is not urging an end to the war, though he very much wants peace. He does want General "Big" Minh to be President and thinks Thieu too dictatorial. But for now he is plodding on with his military life, periodically scared stiff and periodically proud.

There is something strikingly calm about many Vietnamese soldiers in the field — even if that calmness has little to do with bravery and enterprise. When I crouched in an inadequate trench with North Vietnamese mortars dropping out of an ambush around us, I looked up to see a small, round, laughing face looking down at me under a huge helmet. The soldier was far more exposed than I was, but he was calmly motioning with his hand for me to take care and get down further.

Rumanian Premier hopes for 'wisdom' in Mid-East

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BUCHAREST. — Rumanian Premier Ion Maurer told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that his talks with Golda Meir had convinced him that Israel was interested in strengthening economic, cultural and political relations with Rumania.

Mr. Maurer replied to questions as he was leaving the airport tarmac after taking leave of Mrs. Meir. The grey-haired Premier was in a frolicsome mood. When asked about bilateral relations, he said "Don't imagine I met Mrs. Meir for sentimental reasons."

Asked how he thought a Middle East settlement would be reached, Mr. Maurer pointed a finger skywards. His official interpreter translated: "Only God knows."

Had he established contact up there, I asked him. "I am 70, so I cannot visit Israel, in response to Mrs. Meir's invitation. When asked if he planned a visit this year, he said there were difficulties.

Mrs. Meir and her party were given an impressive farewell at the airport. A military band and guard of honour were there, Rumanian girls in folk dress handed the Israeli bouquets, and Mrs. Meir and Mr. Maurer exchanged some warm words outside the El Al plane. Mrs. Meir gave a long kiss to each of the Israeli Embassy's children lined up with their parents on the tarmac.

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with Mrs. Meir as useful for further development of relations between the two countries, providing an exchange of views on many problems of common interest. The Meir had convinced him that Israel was interested in strengthening economic, cultural and political relations with Rumania.

Asked how the bilateral discussions would be followed up, he said: "We have representatives at the Rumanian Embassy in Tel Aviv."

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Breakthrough in cancer cures predicted

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Multiple breakthroughs in cancer research soon will lead to cancer prevention and successful treatment, Dr. Frank J. Rauscher, newly appointed director of the National Cancer Institute, said on Saturday.

Rauscher told newsmen he did not see "any single breakthrough," but "an accumulation of information which sooner or later will ripen — and in many cases this will be soon — for developing means for cancer prevention as well as treatment."

Of the 100 cancers that afflict man, about 15 per cent can be treated extremely well, to the point of at least five-year survivals in half the cases, he said.

"It is in the utilization of existing knowledge that I think we can do much better, now that we have expanded resources."

"Leukemia is fast becoming one of the most treatable diseases of any of our cancers."

Rauscher said between four and five years ago, the average life expectancy of a child with leukemia was in the order of four to six months. Today, with aggressive chemotherapy, the use of combinations of drugs, 85 per cent of these children can be put into long-term remission.

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SOVIET PROBE INTO 'CASE 24' WORRIES THE DISSENTERS

By STEPHENS BROENING

MOSCOW (AP). — NOTHING has made Soviet dissenters as nervous in recent years as the investigation by the secret police into "case no. 24." From Odessa to Leningrad, from Riga to Novosibirsk, hundreds of people have been questioned, dozens of homes have been searched.

Case 24 was opened earlier this year after a decision by the Communist Party leadership to uproot the "Chronicle of Current Events," organ of the underground civil rights movement. Despite a deployment of secret agents of the KGB the latest issue of the "Chronicle" appeared on schedule at the end of last month, and on Sunday the type-written journal marked its fourth anniversary.

The "Chronicle" records what its editors consider to be civil rights violations, provides news of people thought to have been imprisoned unfairly and describes the activities of those sympathetic to the cause. The journal appears every two months, a 20- to 30-page packet of out-of-print sheets stapled together in the upper left-hand corner. It circulates like a chain letter: whoever receives it is encouraged to type a few copies and pass them on to friends.

No fixed base

The editors are anonymous, and the "Chronicle" is said to have no fixed base. In issue number 5 the editors explained why: "The 'Chronicle' is in no sense an illegal publication. The difficult conditions in which it is produced are created by the peculiar notions about law and freedom of information which in the course of many long years have become the established ones in certain Soviet organizations. For this reason the 'Chronicle' cannot, like any other journal, give its postal address on the last page."

Potential contributors are told they may "easily pass on information to the editors of the 'Chronicle'." Simply tell it to the person who gives this copy to you and he will pass it on to the person who gave it to him, and so forth. Only, unless you wish to be taken as a police informer, do not try to trace back the whole chain of communication.

Questioning

The interrogation of Galina Gabai by a Lieutenant Colonel Yospichuk of the KGB is one attempt to discover the chain of communication. Suspected of having had a part in the "Chronicle's" compilation, Mrs. Gabai, a woman who teaches the deaf and the mute, was summoned to Yospichuk's office at Lefortovo Prison in Moscow to answer questions about the "Chronicle's" publication and distribution.

During three long sessions, Mrs. Gabai was asked to copy pages of an early "Chronicle" on a typewriter, on the premise that if she had helped in typing the journal her touch on the keys would be recognizable, like handwriting.

"To aid her memory," one dissident remarked, her husband, Ilya, has been brought to Lefortovo from a labour camp where he has been serving a three-year sentence for having publicized the plight of the Crimean Tatars. Gabai is due for

release on the 19th of next month, and the KGB is hinting that his detention may be prolonged unless his wife "cooperates," dissident sources report.

Mrs. Gabai's interrogation began too late for the most recent "Chronicle" to report it, but it is the kind of thing the journal would print. It concentrates on arrests, interrogations, searches, commitment of political prisoners to psychiatric "hospitals," trial transcripts, releases from camps and obituaries.

People like Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Daniil Daniel, Andrei Sakharov, Alexander Ginsburg, Zhores Medvedev, Mstislav Rostropovich, Andrei Amalrik and General Pyotr Grigorenko have figured prominently in the "Chronicle's" reports. But so have the unknown. "On June 22, Pavel Lobkov, a Jehovah's witness, was released from Dubrovlag Camp 17 on completion of a 25-year sentence," one typical item reads. "On June 17 Mikhail Mikhailovich Soroka died suddenly of a heart attack in Dubrovlag Camp 17-8," another reported.

The "Chronicle's" network of "correspondents" appears to be widespread and there has been some evidence of sources within the Communist Party itself. There have also been rumours that certain officials in the KGB, for their own reasons, have not been unhappy about the "Chronicle's" existence.

The first "Chronicle" appeared on April 30, 1968, coinciding with the United Nations' designation of 1968 as "International Human Rights Year."

The title page of the first five issues which appeared in 1968 stated that it was also "Human Rights Year in the Soviet Union."

As the "Chronicle" enters its fifth year of publication its title page declares: "Human Rights Year in the Soviet Union Continues."

Leningrad trial victim has breakdown

TEL YOSEF. — Word has reached this kibbutz from the Soviet Union that one of the people jailed last year in the Leningrad plane hijack case has suffered a nervous breakdown due to mistreatment by his jailers.

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When Dreizner was unable to work because of his mental state, the camp authorities took away his right to receive visitors. Dreizner went on a hunger strike, and was threatened with further punishment if he did not stop.

Israel trying to counter Arab WHO move

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent Israel is in contact with friendly nations — through its legations abroad — in an effort to counter an Arab-inspired move to have Israel "suspended" from the World Health Organization.

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Tide turning against Tupamaro guerrillas

By JAMES NEILSON

BUENOS AIRES (Ofns). — THE Tupamaros, Uruguay's urban terrorists, have been so severely mauled in a series of fierce battles with police and troops at in Montevideo it is felt that the tide has turned at last. Many Tupamaros have been captured. President Juan Maria Bordaberry, a rich landowner who took office March 1 after elections in which the Leftist coalition popularly identified with the Tupamaros made a sprightly poor showing, has proven sterner than his predecessors and mentor Arturo Pacheco Ar-

'The public has lost faith in the terrorists because they seem to be merely postponing the return to prosperity'

jailed and shocked by the blood bath. Bordaberry had little trouble in persuading Parliament to pass the legislation necessary for a "state of internal war" to last 30 days. The new laws enabled him to hit the Tupamaros with everything he had, and within hours about 40,000 troops were swarming through Montevideo and other towns looking for the guerrilla hideouts.

The Tupamaro offensive was a logical consequence of the Left's failure in the general elections. Their policy of snapping at the Government's heels in a relatively bloodless fashion, robbing banks and kidnapping prominent men, had become bogged down. They were making little progress and stood to lose a slow war of attrition with the security forces. Faced with the choice of slowly suffocating or mounting a desperate attack they decided to attack. Now they are reaping the whirlwind.

Siege battle

The first results of the Government assault were as bloody as the violence that inspired it. Seven people were killed in a siege of a Communist clubhouse, when troops, according to witnesses, just blazed away. At first the dead were claimed to be Tupamaros, but later the Government admitted they were merely peaceful party members, unconnected with the terrorism which the Moscow-orientated party does not support.

Uruguay's Parliament was reluctant to give the security forces the leeway they demanded. It is conscious that the nation's cherished civil liberties have been a major casualty in the

fight against terrorism, and only the shock engendered by the series of assassinations enabled Bordaberry to push his Bills through so easily. In their effort to undermine Uruguayan democracy the Tupamaros have been highly successful. Newspaper censorship is now a feature of the Uruguayan way of life. Even Argentina's military dictatorship, engaged as it is in a war to the death with urban guerrillas, shows far more respect for Press freedom than does the civilian administration next door.

As disquieting as the erosion of civil liberties is the apparent emergence of a Uruguayan "Death Squad" closely modelled on the Brazilian organization that has disposed of hundreds, perhaps over a thousand, criminals in the last five years, frequently torturing them before giving them the coup de grace.

Murder of liberals

The Brazilian "Death Squad" is composed of police officers who feel the law makes life too easy for criminals. It has also turned its attention to left-wing leaders and has been accused of murdering a few liberals who have been brave enough to protest against the actions of this unofficial arm of the police.

A Uruguayan "Death Squad" has yet to be clearly identified, but the leader of the Uruguayan opposition, who is also the Speaker of the Lower House, has admitted that it is a "serious matter." His statement came after he had been held for 24 hours by the Tupamaros and had interviewed a police officer among the captives held in their "People's Prison" which once housed the former British Ambassador, Sir Geoffrey Jackson. Certainly the appearance of a right-wing anti-Tupamaro organization, drawing its members from frustrated police officers, has long been expected. Some murders of people believed to be connected with the Tupamaros have been attributed to it.

The situation in Uruguay has had repercussions far beyond the tiny country's borders. Terrorist groups elsewhere on the continent and even further afield have long been encouraged by Tupamaros activity.

Big rise in tourism from Italy expected

By MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ROME. — A TREMENDOUS and as yet only partially tapped potential for tourism to Israel exists in Italy," Mr. Moshe Simhon, Director of the Israeli Tourist Bureau in Rome, told *The Jerusalem Post* recently.

In 1970, some 8,400 Italians visited Israel; the number in 1971 was 16,000, "and we can expect a 30 to 40 per cent increase during 1972 according to present forecasts," says Mr. Simhon, adding that there is no reason why there should not be a steady increase every year from now into the foreseeable future, though he will not predict the rate of that increase.

The reason why comparatively few Italians have visited Israel so far is a perfectly understandable one. They may be interested in Israel, but great numbers of Italians stay home during the tourist season because Italy is a "tourist country par excellence" and is flooded with visitors needing lodging, food, transport, guides, souvenir shops, and so on.

31 million visitors

In 1969 — the last year for which official figures are available — Italy had 31.25 million visitors. With a population of 55 million, this means one visitor for every two Italians. And if an Italian does want to go abroad, he simply gets on a train, has a good night's rest, and wakes up next morning in France, Switzerland, Germany, Austria or Yugoslavia. A little later in the day he can be in England, Holland, Belgium or Denmark.

"But in 1971 the Italian tourist began adding Israel to his list," Mr. Simhon says. "In 1970, we here in the Tourist Bureau devoted most of our efforts to pounding on the doors of local travel agents trying to get them to sell Israel to their clients. In 1971 the situation changed. The agents began to pound on our door in increasing numbers. But we are still pounding on their doors, for as I said, the potential here is vast."

Pilgrimages

The "Vacanze" company, which has offices in Rome, Milan and Bologna, has printed a colourful booklet, listing "vacation villages" in many countries. Ashkelon is prominently displayed among those in the Mediterranean Basin, and if the pictures of all the places are representative, Ashkelon has nothing to be ashamed of. The "Hof Hayarok," near Netanya, is also advertised in Italy.

Mr. Simhon says that Italians are showing an increasing interest in Israel as the "Terra Sancta" and says that the number of religious pilgrimages is growing all the time. Incidentally, he points out that Rome is the centre for Roman Catholic pilgrims from all over the world and there is no reason why these same pilgrims should not extend their journey to Israel, which is only a few hours further on by plane.

Specialized groups

Specialized groups are also curious about Israel and are planning visits. They include many agriculturalists and agronomists, since the climate of southern Italy and Sicily is not vastly different from much of Israel, and many Italians engaged in these fields think they should study Israeli methods. Other groups planning visits are composed of school teachers and graduates from various university towns. The latter include a group of architects from the University of Bari; a group of doctors from the University of Pisa; and a group of agricultural engineers from the University of Palermo.

The Tourist Bureau is trying to persuade sea cruises to stop at Haifa; and, together with ET Al, is trying to encourage Italian tourists — and others taking planes in Italy — to break their flight in Israel en route to Africa and the Far East.

"Tourist prices in Israel are roughly comparable to those in Italy," Mr. Simhon says, although he adds that visitors to Italy can find pensions which are clean and pleasant, but which charge very reasonable prices.

And as a sign of the interest in Israel, Mr. Simhon notes that Alitalia is adding another plane daily this summer — making two instead of one as at present — and TWA has put a jumbo on the Rome-Lod route and is investing much time, effort and money in both Rome and Milan in encouraging tourism to Israel."

The election results demonstrated the enthusiasm among Uruguayans for him personally — he polled over votes than his Blanco opponent did won only because voters cast for the Colorado Party members were led to his own. Nor was there such enthusiasm for his party which is labouring as a minority in both houses of Parliament. The results did indicate, however, that most people were prepared to accept a more democratic, methods of the fight against the Tupamaros.

'Daring idealists'

At one time the Tupamaros were widely regarded as daring idealists, misguided perhaps, but admirable nonetheless. Public opinion turned against them as Uruguayans saw that terrorism did nothing to help solve the country's grave economic problems and was merely postponing the return to prosperity.

The all-out campaign against the Tupamaros followed another spectacular escape from Montevideo's top-security jail, in which 15 guerrillas had taken six common criminals with them. Two days later, on 14 April, eight Tupamaros died after wild fire in which they ambushed and killed a key police intelligence officer, cut down a navy captain who led hardline military opposition to terrorism, and then murdered a former interior under-secretary in the streets of Montevideo.

Cheerful police claims that Raul Tomic, founder and leader of the Tupamaros, was among the dead "convicted false. Humiliated by the



Bonn ambassador leaves Greece

ATHENS (Reuter). — The West German ambassador to Greece, Mr. Peter Limbourg, recalled at the request of the Greek Government for allegedly helping a Greek political prisoner escape from the country, has left Athens for home.

Last month, Greece accused Mr. Limbourg of having organized the escape abroad of Professor George Mangakis a few hours after his provisional release on health grounds from a Greek prison, where he was serving an 18-year term. Under Greek law, he could not leave the country without permission of the judicial authorities.

Although the professor possessed no Greek travel documents, he left on a West German military plane which took off from the U.S. air base near Athens. Professor Mangakis will shortly take up a post as professor of law at Heidelberg University.

U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers, left, arrived in Bonn on a three-day visit on Saturday. With him at the airport was the new American Ambassador in Bonn, Martin Hillenbrandt, centre, and West German Foreign Minister Walter Scheel. (AP radiophoto)



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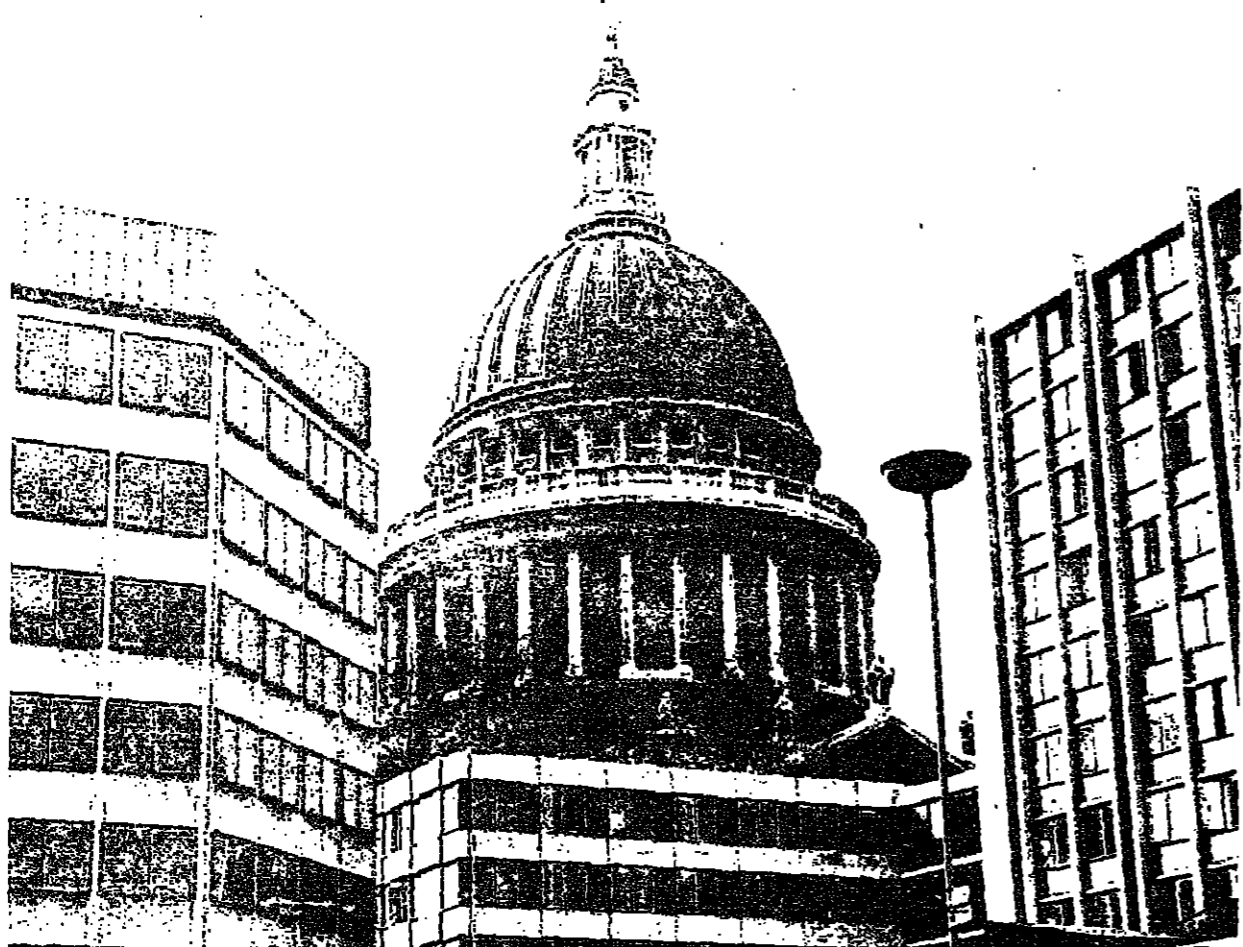
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A "MODERATE" RECOVERY IS REPORTED

Profits up for top 10 U.S. firms

NEW YORK (AP). — America's 500 largest industrial corporations staged only a moderate recovery last year, with sales and profits both up about 8 per cent over 1970 levels, according to the May issue of "Fortune" business magazine. Sales of the "Fortune 500" passed the half-trillion mark for the first time, reaching almost \$503 billion, an 8.4 per cent increase over the previous year. Still, the gains trailed previous recovery years, such as 1959 when sales jumped 11.6 per cent and 1962 when they rose 9.5 per cent. Profits, which fell sharply in 1970, came back almost to 1969 levels with General Motors accounting for 76 per cent of the increase. Total profits for the "500" amounted to \$23.4 billion in 1971, compared with \$21.7 billion in 1970 and \$24.7 billion in 1969. G.M. rebounding from its 1970 strike, had profits of 1.9 billion up \$1.3 billion, and sales of \$28.3 billion, up \$9.5 billion. It was first-

ranked in both sales and profits among the "500." The only changes among the top 10 industrials involved International Telephone and Telegraph Co., which was nudged out of eighth place by Texaco. I.T.T. sales totalled \$7.3 billion, while Texaco's were \$7.5 billion. In the whole top 500 list, 21 companies were displaced. The billion-dollar sales club gained seven new members last year, boosting the total to 127 companies — over one-quarter of the list. In 1971, sales increased for 394 companies. The sharpest increase was scored by U.S. Smelting Refining and Mining, whose sales jumped 109 per cent to \$337 million. It had dropped off the list in 1970 but returned to the new ranking as number 323 after acquiring control of Federal Pacific Electric. There were 315 companies reporting higher income, compared with 216 in 1970. There were 32 companies which lost money. Anaconda suffered the

biggest loss—\$336 million—largely attributable to a write-off of assets seized by the Chilean Government. Mining companies on the whole showed the second largest profit decrease among the "500," dropping 13 per cent from 1970 levels. The sharpest decline was registered by the metal manufacturing group, which saw a 24 per cent decline in earnings. G.M.'s strong performance boosted motor vehicles and parts into the number one group for profit increases, with a 49 per cent jump. Rubber companies were second, with profits up 24 per cent. Glass, cement, gypsum and concrete companies saw profits climb 18 per cent, tobacco companies registered 18 per cent gains, and publishing and printing was fourth with a 14 per cent jump. Profit margins among the top 500 were low, with a median average of 3.8 per cent last year, compared with 3.9 per cent in 1970. In 1966, the high point of the last decade, the average was 5.6 per cent. Here are the top 10 American industrial corporations as listed by "Fortune" (ranked by sales).

1. General Motors	\$23,283,913
2. Standard Oil	\$18,700,631
3. Ford Motor	\$16,438,000
4. General Electric	\$9,425,300
5. International Business Machines	\$8,273,603
6. Mobil Oil	\$8,243,033
7. Chrysler	\$7,999,339
8. Texaco	\$7,529,054
9. International Tel and Tel	\$7,345,781
10. Western Electric	\$6,045,216

THE success story of Bet Shean Nazareth Textile Works is peculiar to this country, because it is not based on clever financing, nor on the application of sophisticated techniques, nor on tariff protection, but on good management. Proof is to be found in the company's disastrous performance before its takeover by Clal four years ago. Its accumulated losses at the end of March, 1971 were over IL26m. The balance sheet for the 1971-72 financial year has not yet been finalized, but it is expected to show a small profit. This is expected to increase considerably in the current year as a result of an envisaged growth of turnover of about 20 per cent including an export expansion of more than 50 per cent. All our textile industry benefits from the prosperity and rising demand at home, and from improved competitive terms abroad owing to the lower exchange rate of the Israeli pound. However, that can not fully explain this company's dramatic change.

Overheads cut

As usual in such cases, the exact reasons for the success are difficult to establish, at least for an outsider. One might assume that new investments played at least a minor part in the bigger output and sales volume. Quite the contrary; the steep rise in profitability has been achieved by putting the existing equipment to use and by reducing the burden of overheads in unit cost. In the Nazareth plant the spindles and looms — which were second-hand when they were installed 13 years ago — are still in operation. Although a number of modern Swiss weaving machines have been added, most of the investments have been made in the printing and tailoring divisions to adjust these to the new production programme. But half of the tailoring is carried out outside the factories, in workshops operating on a job basis. The company now avails itself of 15 outside plants including one in Gaza and two in Nabatieh.

Labour problem

The importance of these outside production facilities lies not in their lower cost, but in their mobilization of additional labour sources. The shortage of labour was one major problem which prevented the utilization of existing factories, and the new management's achievement seems to have been based largely on its ability to solve this problem. In Bet Shean — which had been plagued by labour unrest and absenteeism — wage incentives have been increased, and now include special premiums for shift work, and relations with the shop committee have been put on a new basis. In the Nazareth plant, non-Jewish labour has been recruited on a substantial scale, so that by now it accounts for more than one-half of the factory's 850 employees. Arab workers — mostly female — from Nazareth and villages up to a radius of 60 km. from the town are taken to and from the factory by a fleet of 25 tenders plying at the company's expense. Moslem and Christian workers not only get equal pay, and the same advancement opportunities as Jews (a number of them have actually reached foreman positions), but ac-

Economic Editor

Moshe Ater tells

of the happy change in the fortunes of the Bet Shean-Nazareth Textile Works

tually enjoy certain advantages, e.g. double holidays — Jewish and their own — though the weekly rest day for all workers is Saturday. While other factories complain that Arab hands cannot be relied upon, and that Arab girls even from Nazareth town cannot be persuaded to work on the second shift, not to speak of coming from remote villages for a night shift, the textile factory reports excellent labour relations and satisfactory output, though it would also welcome a preponderance of Jewish labour so as to save commuting costs. Of major importance must also have been the expansion carried out by the new management in the company's end-use production stages as a result of which an increasing part of its yarn output is converted

into fabrics, and an increasing part of fabrics is sold in form of apparel. As a result, the value added in the product sold is about doubled, and the price achieved per kg. of cotton processed is increased more than tenfold. It goes without saying that this has necessitated more than just getting up additional sewing machines. Fashion designing had to be developed; marketing contacts had to be established with stores abroad; quality control had to be stiffened; sea transport for exports had to be largely replaced by air transport.

But the changed sales pattern has also greatly improved the company's profitability. Not only are profit margins in clothing much bigger than in fabrics, but also yarn. Export credit terms are also more convenient than those prevailing in the home market. Last but not least, export sales provide big orders which make possible long production runs, instead of the small ones involving higher unit costs, for the limited home market. The yarn division is beginning to break even as a result of the recent rise in yarn prices abroad and fabrics are bringing in modest profits. But most of the profit is derived from clothing, which accounted for only five per cent of the turnover last year. Exports of fashion clothing bring a higher profit than home sales. Small wonder, therefore, that the production of

clothing — virtually all of which is exported — is being doubled, and that exports of yarn and fabrics are being cut.

Last year, exports totalled about \$2m. The figure is expected to top \$5m. by 1973, with most of it consisting of wearing apparel. By then exports are expected to account for at least one-half of the company's turnover and profit, as compared with the present one-quarter.

By far the greatest quantity of exports goes to the U.S. though the company gets sizeable orders from European markets (Germany, Holland, Switzerland) and even from Japan. The U.S. market is expected to remain dominant in the foreseeable future. Paradoxically the recent devaluation of the Israeli pound as compared to non-dollar currencies has resulted mainly in reducing the price advantage which was enjoyed by Israel's competitors — in particular Japan — in the American market.

Co-ordination

Not the least significant part of the company's achievement has been its success in decentralizing management. Its production is divided between the factories in Nazareth and Bet Shean in addition to the outside workshops — while the financial and marketing headquarters are in Tel Aviv. Smooth co-ordination of activities in such conditions requires careful planning and budgeting, speedy reporting, and a management able to respond to currently changing problems and challenges. Not many companies in this country have managed to fulfil these requirements as well as the Bet Shean-Nazareth Textile Works.



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Loans for Dan municipalities

RISHON LEZION. — The value of land on which the Dan region sewage ponds are located is estimated at IL3,000m; Mayor Hananiah Gibstein of Rishon Lezion told a World Bank mission Friday. The mission is here studying the possibilities of granting loans to the Dan region municipalities in solving their sewage problems.

Mr. Gibstein said that the sewage ponds west of here occupy 31,000 dunams of land, belonging to the government and the municipality. The lowest price for a dunam of land in Rishon today is IL100,000. If the Government would sell this land, it could solve all the housing problems of the country with the money acquired, the mayor said, with enough money left to build a "conventional" closed sewage project. This would solve the sewage problems not only of the Dan region but of all the coastal area municipalities.

Nuclear high energy chair dedicated

A chair in nuclear and high energy chemistry was dedicated at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem last week in the name of Max Harris Krauszberg and his wife Betty, of Weston, Connecticut. The dedication took place at a dinner at the University's Belknap House Faculty Club. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Krauszberg, and their son-in-law Mr. Emanuel Gof of Great Neck, New York, who together with his wife Naomi and her sister, Miss Jeanette Krauszberg, endowed the Chair. Mr. Krauszberg was formerly associated with Lafayette Radio Electronics.

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	December 31, 1970		December 31, 1971	
	IL	IL	IL	IL
Investments				
In companies in which shares are held	60,268,398	60,984,134	Capital, Reserves and Surplus	
Debentures	15,328,914	2,823,968	Share Capital	76,000,000
Tenancy Rights and Other Property for Hire	7,658,437	8,578,289	Reserves and Surplus	20,156,630
	83,255,649	103,506,391	Investment Grant	1,450,287
			General Provisions	6,778,320
Loans and Deposits	178,812,078	89,907,687	External Shareholders in Subsidiaries	22,842,207
Fixed Assets	49,686,910	10,007,808	Deferred Income	2,786,014
Other Assets	48,517,818	12,609,089	Long-term Liabilities	265,185,078
Current Assets	174,217,781	93,173,645	Current Liabilities	143,988,898
Deferred Expenses	6,421,398	4,186,941		
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Consolidated Statement of Profit and Loss for the year ended December 31, 1971 (Summary)

	1970	1971
	IL	IL
Income	74,177,784	80,226,919
Expenses	49,137,772	19,472,763
Operating Profit on Income before taxes	25,040,012	10,555,398
Provision for taxes on income	10,037,898	1,547,899
Operating Profit on Income after taxes	15,002,114	8,997,999
Capital Profit: Net	4,789,978	2,689,994
	19,792,092	11,687,993
Transfer to General Provisions Fund and Amortization	2,755,695	1,450,287
Group Profit attributable to undivided Profits of Subsidiaries	19,036,397	13,237,706
Net Group Profit for the year	17,280,702	10,822,689
Profit attributable to external shareholders of subsidiaries	6,320,323	971,499
Net Profit for the year	13,440,379	10,660,690
Balance of Profit at the beginning of the year	2,969,215	1,644,677
Profit Available for appropriation	16,409,594	12,305,367
Interim Dividend	4,799,000	4,997,000
Transfer to Reserves	6,800,000	6,418,000
Unappropriated Balance of Profit	4,810,594	9,900,367

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Roof organization for immigrants

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — It is widely agreed that the official apparatus for the absorption of new immigrants is not functioning well. How can it be improved? Only by involving the mass of new immigrants in this work, as officials but mainly as volunteers. This can be done by forming a general organization of new immigrants from all countries of the Diaspora.

overall action of the general organization. This general organization should first elect local committees at general assemblies of immigrants at all absorption centres. A subsequent national conference of all local committees should then choose a central committee. To start the ball rolling, an organizing committee of new immigrants should be formed under the auspices of the Ministry of Absorption or the Histadrut. The purpose of this organization of immigrants should be to help absorption authorities carry out their duties and influence their style of work. It should be given both official duties and concrete rights, including the supervision of the activities of local absorption authorities and the power to recommend the eventual dismissal of incompetent officials.

Jerusalem, April 13. A. KLEINBERG

Bid to help newcomers

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In a letter published on April 1, "Bid to Help Newcomers," Mrs. Weil mentions among others that the Israel Discount Bank had a programme for getting new immigrant families to meet Israelis, that she had registered and had heard nothing more from Bank Discount.

We managed to join about 2000 new immigrants with old residents and know of many friendships that developed as a result of our campaign. ISERAEL DISCOUNT BANK LTD. TEL AVIV, APRIL 30

A.A.C.I. IN NORTH

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We are interested in hearing from people in the Nahariya area who would like to form a Nahariya branch of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel. The organization is open to English-speaking immigrants who would like to meet once a month in the Nahariya area to exchange ideas, discuss their problems and success in settling in Israel, and to make new friends in a congenial atmosphere.

Would those interested please contact any of the undersigned at their earliest convenience. PHYLLIS COHEN HERBERT COHEN AEROLD SABLE AURA SABLE Kibbutz Kabei, D.N. Western Galilee, April 23.

Readers' letters

What's wrong with the tourist industry

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — My wife and I were in Israel on January 4, 1972, and I saw your front-page editorial "Tourist boom" and clipped it out, hoping that I would some day find time to write you about it for I felt you were aiming your guns at the wrong people.

This trip was our second to Israel, our first having been in May 1969. The first time we stayed at so-called "de luxe" hotels. This time we stayed at "first class" hotels, since we felt that if we weren't getting what we paid for, we should only pay for what we were getting. Our expectations were justified, for we found that the accommodations we got at some of the "first class" hotels were better (at a much lower price) than some we had at the so-called "de luxe" hotels.

On both trips we found the waiters, chambermaids and others of whom you called "front line" employees very accommodating and

obliging. The problems that we, and others of our party, had on both trips were with the desk clerks, managers and assistant managers. The attitude of these executives and semi-executives seemed to be that we were a necessary nuisance.

In our particular case I wrote to the Ministry of Tourism to complain because I felt as you do about the importance of the tourist industry to Israel's economy and thought that the Ministry should know how some of the hotels were sabotaging their programme. The reply I received (about three short lines and obviously a form letter) amounted to a shrug of the shoulders. If you are relying on the Ministry of Tourism to improve conditions I am afraid you are doomed to disappointment. They, apparently, like the hotel industry, don't know which side of their bread is buttered. Tourism, as you point out, is on the upswing in Israel and will probably continue for some time because we Jews are peculiar people

and some of us will continue to come back — because of Israel and despite how we are treated at your hotels. How long this continues will depend on how long it takes for your selfish and short-sighted hotel managements to kill the geese that are laying the golden eggs for them.

ROBERT A. FRANK Washington, D.C., April 11.

COMPROMISE BORDER IN SINAI

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The Sinai peninsula is foremost in the minds of those who are concerned with the Middle East problem. For many centuries the ownership of the Sinai peninsula was always uncertain.

After Britain conquered Egypt in 1882, the peninsula became the controversial boundary between the Ottoman and British Empires. Turkey proposed a compromise — a line running from El Arish to the tip of the Sinai peninsula near Sharm e-Sheikh that would divide the Sinai exactly in half. The British rejected the compromise and extended their claim to Rafah. In 1906, the Turkish sultan, Abdul Hamid, was forced to accept the British ultimatum, and the international boundary was set on a line from Rafah to Akaba.

Thus Egypt secured the Sinai — thanks to British intervention with the Ottoman government. This Egyptian title to Egypt was nullified by Israel in 1967.

In 1957, Russia and the United States combined to compel Israel to withdraw from the Sinai without requiring Egypt to renounce belligerence and to make peace with Israel. Now, after 1967, Israel is unwilling to permit this blunder to be repeated.

The pre-1906 Ottoman Compromise Line (El Arish to Sharm e-Sheikh) referred to above, could well be used as a basis for present negotiations. PHILIP MOSE Burbank, California, April 16.

Formica trademark

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Our clients, Messrs. Formica International Limited of De La Rue House, London, have sent us a clipping from your paper's issue of January 13 containing a notice concerning the production of laminated plastic by Sefon.

In that notice your correspondent has used the designation Formica in a way which might suggest that

Pensions and the cost-of-living

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Increases in cost-of-living allowances apply to all wages and salaries. I would like to ask the National Insurance Institute if it would not be logical and fair to link old-age pensions to the cost-of-living as well.

J. DABIEL Halfa, March 15. The National Insurance Institute replies: In accordance with the National Insurance Law, paragraphs 11 (A) and 14, old-age and survivors' pensions are linked to the cost-of-living index. Therefore, all increases in the cost-of-living index entail an increase in old-age and survivors' pensions.

During the past year, old-age pensions were increased twice. On April 1, 1971, the pension for a single person, not including additional payments was IL96; on September 1, it was increased by 5.2 per cent to IL101. On April 1 of this year, it went up to IL111, which means an overall increase of 15.6 per cent by comparison with last year.

A proposal to amend the law has been submitted to the Minister of Labour, whereby old-age and survivors' pensions would be pegged at 15 per cent of the average salary. If this is accepted, every increase in the average salary will automatically entail an increase in old-age pensions.

ELHANAN GAFFNI, Director Department of Public Relations Jerusalem, April 16.

IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I understand that the Government is planning to introduce changes in the rights of immigrants and allow them to bring in tax-free only those goods produced in their countries of origin, or made in Israel.

I would certainly introduce changes in immigrants' rights, but in quite another direction. I would give them duty-free rights, valid for three years, only after a three-year stay in the country. By that time, the many immigrants who arrive practically penniless (mainly from the U.S.S.R.) will have had time to work and make some money to exercise their rights. ERNEST YERUDA MENDLSON Kibbutz Ashdot Ya'acov, March 31.

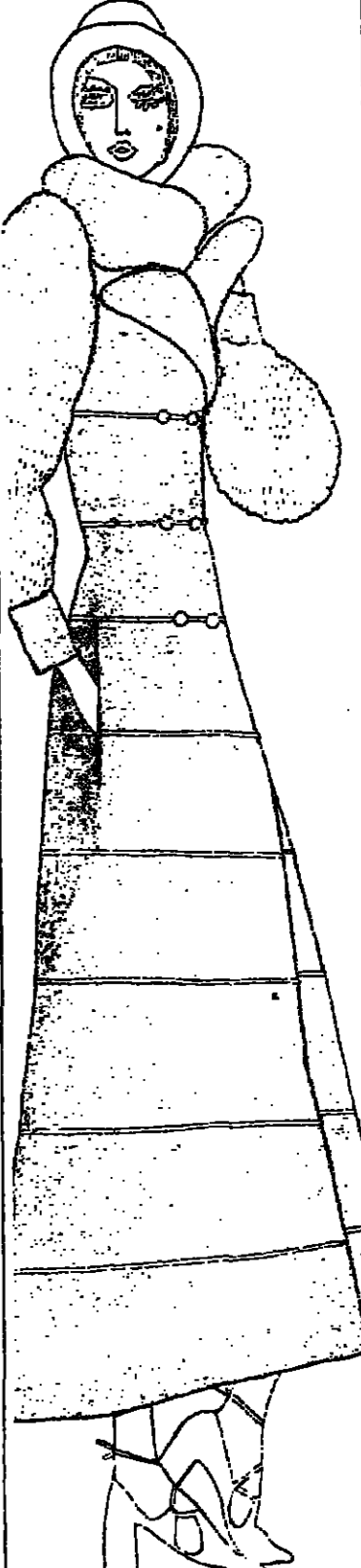
DE. BEINHOLD COHEN and PARTNERS PATENT ATTORNEYS Tel Aviv, April 12.



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Hotel bookings and weekends

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — My wife and I spent the Passover holidays at the Hanita rest house, arriving in the evening of Wednesday, March 29, and leaving after lunch on Wednesday, April 5. Our daughter, who accompanied us, left after lunch on Saturday, April 1.

The inclusive price per day was IL48. But when we left, we were not charged for the 17 days actually spent and spoken for, but for 20 days, or IL96, because (I quote) "there is no booking out on Saturdays or holidays." This constitutes an overcharge of 17.7 per cent. I do not know if this huckster's trick is condoned by the competent authorities. Had such arrangements been made, he would not have had to pay for the extra day. If Mr. Arnold will let us have the full facts, the Control Division of our Ministry will be able to investigate the matter and get in touch with him directly.

However, the Director of our Department of Hotels and Restaurants points out that a hotel room which is given up in the middle of a weekend or a holiday and remains empty represents a loss of revenue for the hotel, since it cannot be rented for the rest of the period.

That is why hotels rent rooms for weekends and holidays as a unit, and the Ministry of Tourism is aware of this custom, which it accepts. RIVKA SCHERBAUM Assistant Spokesman Jerusalem, April 23.

Herzl in Sadagora

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I wish to avail myself of the hospitality of your columns in order to comment on the article by your reporter David Landau, "The Zionist Rebbe of Sadagora" (The Jerusalem Post Magazine of April 14). Your reporter talked to the "Herzl expert" at the Archives over the telephone and, speaking in English, his pronunciation of the place name Sadagora was unintelligible. It just so happens that the expert in question spent the first 19 years of his life in the vicinity of Sadagora and actually lived in Sadagora for some time; so that presumably he is more familiar with that place than your reporter. As to the contention that Herzl called on the Rabbi of Sadagora — there exists no evidence whatsoever to support it. It is known that Herzl never visited Galicia or Bucovina. On the other hand it is perfectly true that Herzl tried to enlist the support of the Rabbi of Sadagora and if your reporter had read more than just a few references in Herzl's diary, he would have been able to present your readers with an interesting story.

DE. M. HEYMANN The Central Zionist Archives Jerusalem, April 18.

David Landau comments: Since the "Herzl expert" asked me to spell out the word Sadagora, and I did so, and he repeated each letter after me and he still failed to recognize it, I hardly see how my unintelligible pronunciation is pertinent.

Nor is the fact that he spent the first 19 years of his life pertinent to his statement: "It is known that Herzl never visited Galicia or Bucovina" (unless those 19 years included the period 1895-97...). An objective reading of the references in Herzl's diary to Sadagora leave the unmistakable impression that he visited there. Furthermore, the present Rabbi of Sadagora, Rabbi Friedman of Tel Aviv, assured me that Herzl did indeed visit his great-grandfather at Sadagora.

ISRAEL'S URGENT NEEDS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The foreign Jewish press recently contained an appeal calling for contributions to help alleviate Israel's urgent needs in the fields of welfare and integration.

As a prospective donor, may I ask how these appeals can be considered compatible with the staggering sums Israel squanders on its political flirtations in Africa and elsewhere? According to Mr. Eban, Israel provides aid to 70 countries, amounting to tens of millions of dollars, notwithstanding the 70-year experience. When we consider how many times Israel received 10 favourable votes in the U.N. on any issue and the unanimous votes against Israel on Jerusalem, the folly becomes evident and the appeals an audacity.

MILDEED GOLDMAN Jerusalem (Los Angeles) April 16. FIRST-CLASS CITIZENS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Young men and women who have served in the military force of the State of Israel should be given the same economic rights and privileges for housing and purchase as those accorded to the new immigrant, the temporary resident, and the returning Israeli. This will remove the present inequity and dissension that exists between these two important groups in Israel society and discourage emigration on the part of the young.

The present inequitable economic policy makes first-class citizens of the new immigrant or temporary resident while the young man or woman who has served his country, loves it, and wants to have his home and family in Israel is discriminated against.

Why must the young sabra live in the galut or be a returning Israeli in order to be treated like a first-class citizen? IRVING ORAINOWITZ Ashkelon, April 24.

BAT YAM NEWCOMERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We would like to point out that here in Bat Yam meetings are held every second Tuesday for all English-speaking immigrants at the Moadon of the Moetzet Hapoalet Imahot Ovgot, 58 Ha'atzmait. Programmes are varied to suit all tastes and include discussions, social activities, trips, etc. We welcome all newcomers in Bat Yam and would be happy to meet more new people at our next meeting. If any of your readers want more information, they should contact me at 19 Rehov Hashkula. PAULA FALBERG Bat Yam, April 26.

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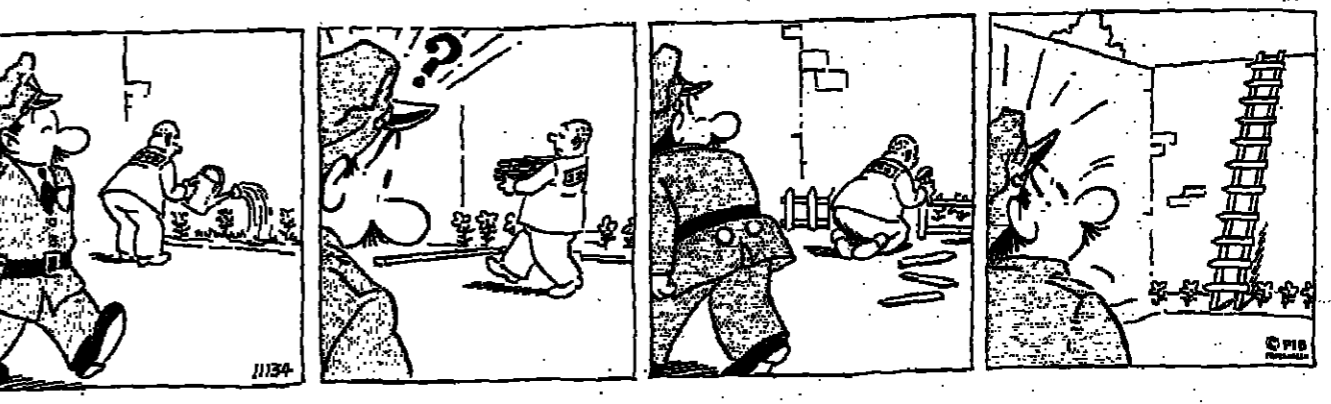
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Half the country's oldsters live on IL171 per month

By SUSAN BELLOS Jerusalem Post Reporter The National Insurance Institute has issued new figures about old people in poverty, indicating that 46 per cent of all of Israel's 200,700 pensioners live on IL171 a month.

Student accused of obstructing policeman

Jerusalem Post Reporter A Hebrew University student accused of obstructing a police officer attempting to make an arrest last week was released in IL1,500 bail yesterday, after spending five days in jail.

Students to protest hike in tuition

Jerusalem Post Reporter The National Students Union is planning a two-hour warning strike on Wednesday in all universities to protest a proposed raise in university tuition fees.

Fund-raising drive for the retarded aims for IL1/2m.

By SARAH HONG Jerusalem Post Reporter EL AVIV. — Thousands of volunteers will go from door to door on Wednesday to raise funds for Aidm's annual "Roof-for-the-Retarded-Child" campaign.

Persistent car thief gets two years

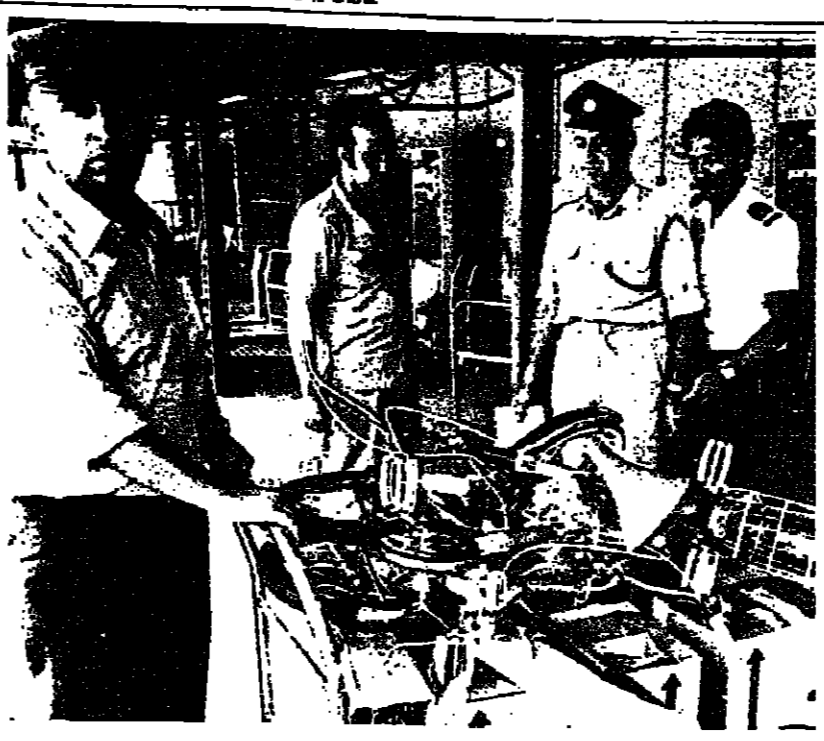
ETAH TERVA. — A 20-year-old thief was yesterday sentenced to 24 months' imprisonment, after being found guilty in the Magistrate's Court here of stealing a car belonging to a soldier.

STUDENT DAY MAY 9 At the lowest point on earth — the highest party of the year at the FASHKA OASIS

The Dead Sea Music Festival ORIENTAL, FOLK, JAZZ, POP, ROCK, SOUL, Entrance IL2.50 Buses from 9 a.m. from Givat Ram Campus round trip IL2.50 Programme from 1 p.m. till 6 p.m.

Arava crewmen caught in smuggling bid

LOD AIRPORT. — Customs officials here foiled an attempt by crew members of an Israeli exhibition craft to smuggle goods into the country Saturday night, when they returned from Germany.



Some of the contraband confiscated from the crew of Israel's Arava, which returned from Germany Saturday night.

Customs officials, after receiving the crew's declarations, decided to search the plane. On removing some panels in the cabin, they uncovered several bicycles, a quantity of liquor and various other items which were not declared.

A spokesman for Israel Aircraft Industries, manufacturers of the Arava, said yesterday that the company has reprimanded the men concerned, and will take "disciplinary steps" against them.

Slight easing in cargo congestion at Haifa Port

Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — Haifa Port warehouses were clogged with an average of 49,000 tons of cargo daily during the month of April, compared to only 35,000 tons at the beginning of the winter season.

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Jerusalem Post Reporter When the tourist influx last year shot up a fantastic per cent — to over 650,000 visitors — the increase was attributed largely to the cease-fire. The sudden swell was thought to represent the would-be visitors dammed up by Egypt's "war of attrition" and released by the truce of the previous summer, which by the onset of 1971 was generally regarded as durable.

As a result, Tourist Ministry prognosticators, projecting prospects for the current year, allowed for an increase of 15 per cent over 1971. This estimate has been more than doubled in the first four months of the year, which brought 214,000 visitors to the country, compared to 161,000 in the similar period last year.

The Ministry does not expect to maintain the same rate over the year, however. Hanoch Givton, its Director-General, told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday that present thinking puts the expected figure for the year at around 300,000, a 20 per cent increase.

Income to the tourist industry, he added warily, should top \$200m. Mr. Givton appeared to be playing safe. In 1971 tourists contributed \$178 to the state's coffers, 70 per cent up on the 1970 total and 20 per cent better than the numerical increase. The figures do not include revenue to the national marine and air carriers.

Even more significant than the growth in numbers, Mr. Givton stressed, was the change in the pattern and components of tourism to Israel. So long as the annual figure stood under half a million visitors, this tourism was largely motivated by religious, sentimental or ideological motives. It was made up for the greater part by Jews, Christians drawn to the religious and historical sites, and people interested in the country's social experiments. Its main source was North American Jewry.

The pattern underwent a radical change in 1971. In this year, he said, Israel could be said to have entered the mainstream of European tourism, with tens of thousands coming to her shores for recreation and rest. For the first time, visitors from Europe approximately equalled the number from North America — each comprising about 40 per cent of the total. Non-Jewish tourists were rapidly catching up with the total of Jewish visitors, while from Europe the majority were Christian.

This year Europe is running ahead of North America so far, having provided no less than half the tourists in the first four months. In the light of these developments, which are expected to continue, the Ministry has set itself two main aims: to achieve a more even distribution of visitors throughout the land, and — to enable this — to encourage construction of facilities for rest and recreation in the more sparsely populated or less scenic parts of the country. This refers largely to regions north of Caesarea and south of Ashdod.

Giving an example of the tourists to Israel's "inherited" attractions, Mr. Givton said that several non-starved Scandinavian groups, after landing in Lod, repaired immediately to Eilat, subsequently returning tanned and thawed, directly to the airport to emplane for home.

An important aspect of today's tourism is the growth of the "push" sector, comprising people of middle-bracket incomes who are this year expected to comprise 60-65 per cent of the whole. Mr. Givton stressed. One result of this trend is the Ministry's policy to divert larger funds in the form of loans to hotels of one — to three-star categories, and to non-hotel-type tourist accommodations — hostels, bungalows, camping sites, etc.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Market remains steady; turnover rises slightly

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter TEL AVIV. The Stock Market yesterday was steady, with only small changes in share prices. Turnover increased to IL2.4m, of which nearly IL1.1m was in the variables.

The General Index of Share Prices fell by 0.79 per cent to stand at 229.33. In the bond market, turnover was IL2.8m, with index-linked bonds vamping up to one point and dollar-linked and foreign currency bonds moving slowly in both directions.

The Black Market dollar in Tel Aviv was about IL4.39. Amongst the most active stocks, I.D.E. rose 1.5 points to 203.5; Bank Leumi lost 0.5 on 309.5; Clal Industries was unchanged at 180; Haasneh opened at 182 (down 1.0) and closed at 182; while Wolfson IL10 advanced 1.5 in the opening to 118 and 0.5 in the variables.

LL.D.C. opened at 240.5, but closed at 239. Isras lost two points in the variables (148). Rascco closed at 74, down 2. In the industrial sector, Ata "C" gained 2.5 in the opening (176.5), but declined in the variables to 175.5. Chemicals and Phosphates was traded at 60 yesterday after 74 on Wednesday on Thursday last week. Investors seemed very disappointed at the firm's balance sheet published last week.

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Phoenicia shares advanced 5.5 net to 120, with 19,000 shares changing hands. Delek added 2.5 in the variables to 187.5, after being unchanged in the opening. Of the investment companies, Export Investment gained 1.5 in the opening to 2.5 in the variables and closed at 89. Faz was unchanged at 107. Amptec, too, at 130. The latter on Friday declared an 8 per cent final dividend over 1971 (the year before it was 7 per cent). Bank Leumi investment closed at 193.5, down 1.5.

Koor preferred shares opened at 165.5 (up 0.5), advanced later to 167, but closed at 164.5. Unico ordinary dollar shares were priced at 83, but no shares changed hands.

LINKED TO THE DOLLAR

Table listing various stocks and their prices, including Bank Leumi, Clal, Rascco, and others.

EFFECTIVE PLANNING

With the aid of the census data the Government will be enabled to plan more effectively and economically such services as schools, vocational training, road building and housing at the national, regional and local levels. Dekel and Seidner explained. The published figures will also help economic forecasters and private business planners. Some of the principal data will be published in a few months, but thorough evaluation may take up to five years.

ISRAEL DISCOUNT BANK LTD.

Table with columns for stock names (ALON, DEKEL, BROSH) and their prices.

'The Go-Between' Julie Christie Alan Bates Margaret Leighton Michael Redgrave Dominic Guard PEER CINEMA 4th week Tel Aviv (7:15, 9:30)

Sapir: Taxmen won't tip press off in future raids

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir told the Cabinet yesterday that taxmen in future would give the press no assistance that might enable them to intrude into the privacy of subjects in fiscal offences. Journalists would not be invited along to cover swoops by income tax or customs and excise authorities, he assured the Cabinet.

Last week's unprecedented publicity accompanying early-morning raids on persons suspected of large-scale tax evasion has aroused criticism, since the taxmen made sure the press came along. The persons raided had not been formally charged at the time.

The journalists had not been taken along by the investigators, the Finance Minister explained. They reached the targets of the swoops on their own. However, they were told beforehand exactly who would be raided and when.

Mr. Sapir said past experience had proved it inadvisable for income tax investigators to operate under too dense a blanket of secrecy, because this encouraged proliferation of rumours.

It was important for the tax-payers to know that efforts were being made to enforce the tax laws, the Finance Minister said. Such efforts, and their publication, deterred tax evasion, he said. They also encouraged other members of the public to furnish the income tax authorities with useful information. Mr. Sapir assured his colleagues that they could expect more operations in future, whose purpose was to secure greater law enforcement. They are necessary, he said, if taxes are to be paid, he said.

Raids were only carried out after the investigators had collected full information on the case and possessed prima facie proof that an offence

had been committed, he added. In every case, the swoops were carried out on the strength of a search warrant issued by the Court. Most raids were carried out without publicity, he said. (Four raids last week made the headlines, however.)

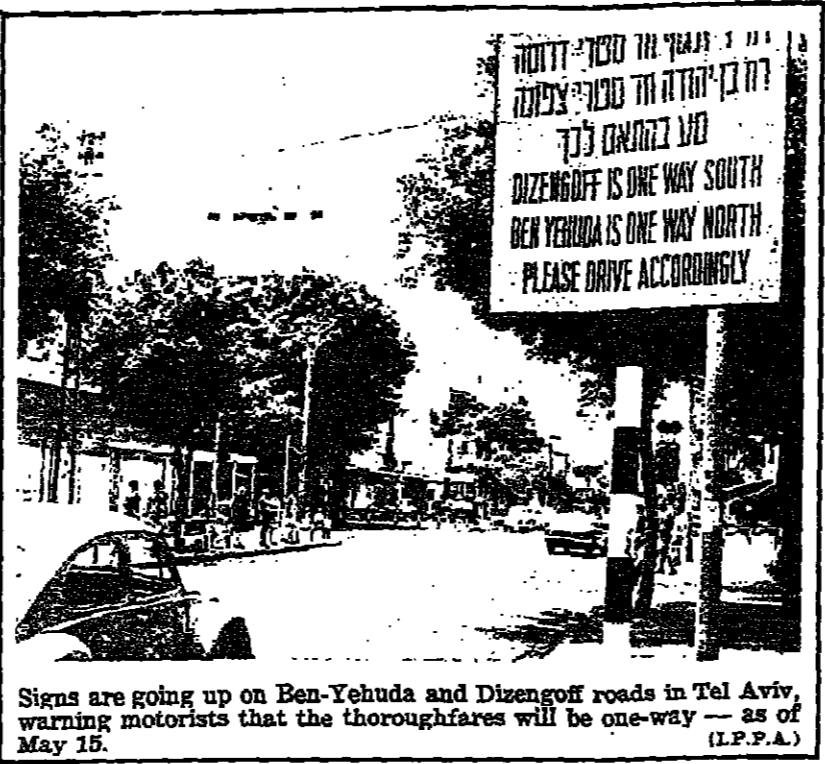
Mr. Sapir reported that the taxmen carried out 83 investigations during the fiscal year 1971/72, and employed 545 search warrants for this purpose.

In the case of Dr. Foa Hirsch (owner of the Cdev Import company), who swallowed sleeping pills after his house was raided, Mr. Sapir said the authorities possessed prima facie proof that he had left earnings from commission abroad, and had not declared them in his tax returns. Urgent action had to be taken for fear he might destroy incriminating documents.

In the case of the raid on former Mafvef Metz manager Mordechai Friedman, the press knew his home would be searched in the wake of Attorney-General Metz Shamgar's announcement that he had instructed the taxmen and the police to launch an inquiry into certain aspects of the affair.

Regarding the Spiegel family of building contractors, Mr. Sapir said, the taxmen had information that tax was being withheld. Journalists were given prior notification of the raid (as in the case of Dr. Hirsch), but they were not allowed into the buildings raided during the course of the actual search. (They waited outside till the search was over.)

Cabinet correspondents were officially assured last night that Mr. Sapir had no criticism for the taxmen's action in calling the press along. His remarks to the Cabinet were not in reply to any question from the ministers. None of the ministers had anything to comment or query in the wake of Mr. Sapir's statement.



Signs are going up on Ben-Yehuda and Dizengoff roads in Tel Aviv, warning motorists that the thoroughfares will be one-way — as of May 15. (L.P.A.)

J'lem slum clearance gets green light

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The slum-clearance scheme for Jerusalem's Nahlaot quarter got a green light in the Cabinet yesterday. The area to be rehabilitated, on the slopes running down to the Sacher Park, though smaller than the original Nahlaot clearance project envisaged in 1969, will affect 634 families, a total of 2,250 persons. (See court case, below.)

The Government will have to subsidize the scheme to the tune of IL20m-IL25m, at present prices. A new law is being drafted to ensure that compensation for Nahlaot residents is pegged to the index of building prices, Cabinet correspondents were told yesterday.

(The neighbourhoods involved are Nahlat Zion, Shevet Zedek and Zichron Yosef, north of Rehov Bezael on the Mahaneh Yehuda side, and Sha'are Rahabim to the south of Rehov Bezael. Here, three out of every four houses are rated as substandard; some are in danger of collapse; some lack toilets; in others, the tenants live at a density of three or more persons per room. Part of the area was slated for demolition during the Mandatory period.)

The project will be handled by the Housing Ministry — affiliated Urban Renewal Authority.

The execution will be by the Praot corporation, a joint venture of the State and the Jerusalem Municipality.

Three-quarters of the present residents are expected to stay in the area, and the Authority will follow the principle of pulling down as few buildings as possible. The project will take four to five years.

CHOICE OF HOUSING

Nahlaot residents will be offered housing elsewhere while work is in progress. They can choose temporary lodgings and ask to return; or they can ask for permanent housing out of the Nahlaot.

The renovation plans will be drafted on the principle that maximum density of occupation per room is two persons. Cabinet correspondents were told yesterday.

The previous Nahlaot slum clearance plan, which lapsed after objections by over 100 families and

Hospital charged in boy's death

PETAR TERVA. — Kupat Holim, the administrative director of Beilinson Hospital and one of its nurses were charged last Friday with causing the death of a four-year-old boy who fell from the fifth-storey balcony of the pediatric ward.

According to the charge sheet filed in the Magistrate's court here, the boy, Yosef Peretz, had been admitted to the children's ward at Beilinson at the beginning of February 1971. The boy was retarded and unsteady, and it was often found necessary to tie him in his bed.

On February 20, the charge sheet continued, the boy was wandering, unsupervised, around the ward. The door to the balcony, which served as a visiting area, was unlocked, although this was not during visiting hours. The boy entered the balcony, climbed onto the railing and lost his footing. He was killed immediately.

The District Attorney's office is charging Kupat Holim; the hospital's administrative director, Mr. Eliahu Saroka; and the nurse in charge of the ward on the day of the accident, Hannah Mor, with causing the boy's death through carelessness, not involving criminal negligence.

The first two are charged with failing to see to it that the balcony was properly fenced; the nurse, with failing to have the boy properly supervised and with leaving the balcony door unlocked. (11m)

Suspect shot on critical list

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A suspected procurer was shot in the head and critically injured yesterday morning during a police chase in the Katamon quarter of Jerusalem.

The wounded man, Ovadia Harari, 26, had been accused by a 19-year-old prostitute of 'locking her in a room on Saturday and beating her severely. She told police early yesterday — after reportedly escaping from the room — that Harari was armed and had fired four shots in the room to frighten her.

Police spotted Harari on Rehov Eikhayahu Hamelech about 9 a.m. According to the police spokesman, Harari started running. The spokesman said that a policeman fired a warning shot which accidentally hit the fleeing man in the head. A search of his person uncovered no weapon.

Harari was taken to Hadassah Hospital.

According to a spokesman, Harari has a long police record and had been released from prison just half a year ago. The police have set up a special committee to investigate the reason for the shooting.

Nahal Golan turns civilian

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — Nahal Golan, the four-year-old outpost on the Syrian cease-fire line, will today cease to be a military establishment and will become a civilian kibbutz called Afik, affiliated to Ihud Hakretzot Vehalbutzim (the ex-Mapa! movement). Nahal Commander Aluf-Mishneh Zvi Levason, and Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati will attend the handover — the first to be out the second to take over.

The new settlers will cultivate 450 dunams of land, two-thirds of it irrigated, will keep milchocows and turkeys, plant fruit trees and grow cotton and vegetables. Their water will be pumped up from the Kinneret.

The Housing Ministry is putting up the new village, at some distance from the site of the outpost, at a cost of IL3m. The building programme calls for dwellings, offices, a club, clinic, kindergarten, shelters and internal roads. The farm buildings will be built by the Jewish Agency, out of Zionist Organization funds.

T.A. engineer found negligent in triple death

TEL AVIV. — A municipal engineer, convicted of negligence which led to the death of three municipal employees, was sentenced to a year in prison in the Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The engineer is Mr. Yehiel Elizar, in charge of maintenance of the city's sewerage system. He was charged with negligence in the death of Naim Nissim, Benjamin Atlas and Arye Klingler, who died from inhaling poisonous gases while working in a sewage control chamber in May, 1969.

Engineer Elizar was held responsible for the lack of safety measures at this and other similar work sites, where the danger of gas is present, and for failing to see to it that the maintenance crews were acquainted with the dangers and the necessary precautions. (11m)

Court rejects order on slum designation

The High Court of Justice yesterday rejected an application by the Public Committee for the Nahlaot quarter to order the Government to show cause why the designation of the quarter as a slum rehabilitation area should not be approved by the Government, and to enjoin it from accepting a revised rehabilitation scheme.

The panel of three justices told the applicants the court would state its reasons for denying their request at a later date.

The Nahlaot quarters had been designated a rehabilitation area more than three years ago, but Cabinet approval was withheld, allegedly under pressure from members of the National Religious Party. Two months ago, the Urban Renewal Authority, at the Cabinet's request, changed the boundaries of the area, leaving out three of the quarters involved, and arousing the ire of residents.

In the absence of the order nisi sought by the residents' committee, the Cabinet yesterday gave final approval to the rehabilitation area designation as revised. (See above story.) (11m)

Israel, Haiti sign pact

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel and Haiti last night signed in Jerusalem a technical cooperation agreement designed to broaden relations between the two countries. Foreign Minister Abba Eban returned from a visit to London in time to sign for Israel, while Dr. Fritz Chees, the Haitian Minister of Information and the leader of the three-man Haitian ministerial delegation, signed for Haiti.

At the same time, a joint communique was issued by the two states.

The cooperation agreement lists technical assistance, development projects, scholarships for trainees and the development of Haitian tourism facilities among the areas in which the two countries will cooperate.

The Haitian Government has been impressed by the modest Israeli agricultural pilot-projects now at work in Haiti, and the three ministers came to Israel with the declared aim of expanding bilateral relations.

THE EN FASEYA nature preserve will be closed to the public tomorrow, Tuesday, because of Student Day celebrations which will take place there, it was announced yesterday by the Judea and Samaria Command.

Anti-hijacking accord ratified

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel yesterday became one of the first countries to ratify the Montreal Convention against hijacking. The Cabinet ratified the Convention at its weekly meeting yesterday. Originally drafted in September 1970, the agreement is officially entitled "The Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation." Sixty-one countries subscribed to the Convention, which was drafted by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). Once 10 states have ratified the Convention, it will have validity under international law.

An amendment to the Aviation Laws which the Knesset enacted last year, already covers all the provisions of the Convention.

Industry bid to solve earning dispute

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Manufacturers Association President last night offered a solution to one of the thorniest issues in the earning industry labour dispute — that of severance pay.

The President proposes to do away with the severance pay scheme in exchange for a comprehensive pension scheme, which would include, in addition to the existing old-age pension, disability and dependence pension. The worker's contribution to the new scheme would remain the same as before, five per cent of his wages. The employers would raise their contribution from 6 to 11 per cent.

The manufacturers would like to complete discussions on this topic and invite the Histadrut to return to the conference table, so that the two sides can reach an agreement. It is believed that if agreement can be reached on this issue, accord on the other issues will follow.

In the meantime, the manufacturers are continuing preparations for a national lock-out in the food industry, if the workers carry through their decision to strike next Sunday. Orders have been sent out to all the members of the Association to be ready to close their plants on 24 hours' notice.

Bar-Lev: Productivity must rise

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's economy faces critical dangers unless productivity rises sharply, Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Bar-Lev warned last night.

He was speaking at a reception given in his honour by the Jerusalem branch of the Labour Party.

"The rate of growth in output is our main economic problem today," Mr. Bar-Lev stated. "While wages and prices spiral upward by an average of 10 to 15 per cent each year, productivity goes up by only seven to eight per cent." If output-per-worker would increase by 20 to 30 per cent annually, he said, Israel would be well on the way to solving its economic ills.

The Minister, who was introduced by Mr. Uzi Narkiss, said: "If prices and wages continue their steady climb we will soon price ourselves out of the world markets... when labour disputes shut our ports we export, and the less we export the further away we stand from that hoped for day of economic independence."

According to Mr. Bar-Lev, the unbridled growth in wages and prices could only result in more taxes, another devaluation, or a recession.

Grocers want bigger profit in milk sales

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

The General Merchants Association is demanding a bigger profit margin on milk for grocers in the wake of the decision by Tuva to cease delivering milk to people's homes. At a special meeting yesterday with Price Commissioner Dr. Moshe Mandelbaum, representatives of Tuva and the Treasury it was agreed to set up a special tripartite committee to study the increased profit accruing to Tuva from the cessation of home deliveries, with the intention of sharing some of this profit with the grocery shops.

The Association noted that the retailer's profit margin on a bottle of milk has remained at two agrot since 1964, when it was decided that their percentage margin of profit has fallen over the years. They claim that it is hardly worth their while handling the milk for such a small profit; and they have threatened that if they don't get a larger slice of the profits, then grocery shops will simply stop handling milk.

The committee is due to make its report within three weeks to Dr. Mandelbaum, and he is expected to accept the recommendations of the representatives of the Association, Tuva and the Treasury.

Delay announcement of mortgage limitations

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Limitations on mortgage loans, expected to be announced last night, will be made known only next Sunday. The Ministerial Housing Committee has not yet completed its deliberations; so it could not report to the Ministerial Economic Committee in time for yesterday's session, the spokesman said.

"What was decided is to promote prefabrication and the industrialization of housing construction, by giving the status of 'recognized investment' to this type of enterprise. A special committee representing the Ministries of Finance, Commerce and Industry, and Housing, and the Investment Centre will select the projects abide by the requisite criteria (of reducing building costs, saving time, and economizing in materials). The main benefit of 'recognized' status is zero tariffs on imported materials, and exemption from income tax for a number of years — but only on that part of the company's profits which does not exceed 18 per cent of its paid-up capital.

According to the spokesman for the Commerce and Industry Ministry, approval has been given during the last few weeks to 13 investment projects in the field of prefabrication, comprising placements totaling IL32m.)

POSTPONEMENT

The economic ministers also decided to postpone IL250m. in projects in the development budget from the first to the second half of the current fiscal year.

This includes IL50m-IL70m. in defence projects (the exact list to be decided this week); also roads, bridges, telephone exchanges, and loans to industry, Operations on the Mamilla scheme (for building a commercial centre in Jerusalem) will be reduced this year.

Mr. Arnon Gafny, head of the Treasury's Budget Division, stressed that postponement affects (in the main) construction, and IL50m. of the deferred blueprints are banned anyway under the nine-month freeze on public buildings.

Local authorities and statutory

KHAN YUNIS BOY KILLED BY TRUCK

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KHAN YUNIS. — A three-year-old boy was killed by a truck Saturday afternoon near his home here.

The boy, Adel Mohammed Abu Sita, was crossing the highway near his home when he was hit by the truck, driven by a 25-year-old Gaza resident. The driver was held for questioning.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fairly cloudy. Occasional drizzle; heavy in the South. Weather synopsis: A warm low over Egypt is moving eastward. Upper trough over the Balkans is deepening and moving east.

Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
Humidity	Min-Max	Forecast
Jerusalem 44	10-20	14-21
Nahariya 64	8-16	12-20
Safed 67	8-16	12-20
Tiberias 69	8-16	12-20
Nesher 69	12-19	17-20
Afula 56	12-21	18-26
Shmonon 41	12-20	18-24
Tel Aviv 36	11-26	16-23
Jericho 68	14-25	18-30
Gaza 63	14-27	18-28
BeerSheva 61	12-24	17-26
Eilat 33	20-33	20-33
Tiran 33	21-32	23-38

ARRIVALS

The State Premier of Hesse, Mr. Albert Gewoll, for the first time as guest of the Labour Party (by Lu Hassa).

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Jewish Congress, is in the city on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the session of the advisory committee of the European Council.

Prof. David M. Hirsch, director-general of Sha'are Zedek Hospital, to England and the U.S. hospital business.

Dr. Theodore H. Frank, deputy medical director of the Sha'are Zedek Hospital, for the U.S. to attend a congress at the Harvard University Medical School.

Mr. Bernard Cherrick, vice-president of the World Jewish Congress, for the U.S., Canada and Mexico, on University business.

Dr. Eli Fischer, managing director of Fischer Pharmaceuticals Ltd., for East Africa, to continue clinical experiments on Oncoson for treatment of the liver disease.

Mr. Geoffrey Tollman, managing director of Danish Interiors, and members of the Danish delegation to the International Furniture Exhibition in Copenhagen.

DEPARTURES

Health Minister Victor Shatzoff and Prof. Moshe Prywes of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, to Geneva for the Annual Assembly of the World Health Organization.

Dr. Eliaz Lagger, Mayor of Innsbruck, and President of the Regional Parliament of Tyrol, after participating in the session of the advisory committee of the European Council.

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Malawi Minister here for talks

LOD AIRPORT. — Mr. Eliakim Banda, Malawi's Minister of Commerce, Industry, Tourism and Information, arrived here last night for a two-day visit.

Mr. Banda will meet with Minister Bar-Lev, and with officials of the Foreign Ministry, to discuss future cooperation between his country and Israel. (11m)

Thai military delegation here

A high-ranking delegation from the National Defence College of Thailand arrived in Israel yesterday for a three-day visit, as guests of the Israel Defence Forces.

The head of the 21-man delegation, Major-General Riam Khantsruchi, called on the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Hazzar, shortly after their arrival.

U.S. film producer arrives by yacht

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — American film producer Sam Spiegel arrived here on board a private yacht last night, reportedly to discuss film production projects. He was accompanied by two guests, Mrs. Evelyn de Rothschild of London, and Baroness Van Zollen of Belgium.

Immediately upon arrival, Mr. Spiegel and his party left for the King David Hotel in Jerusalem.

WEEKEND CRICKET

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

The 1972 zonal tournament got under way this weekend with the fancied Coasts "A" securing a two-wicket victory over the South, and the strong Northern side beating the Centre by 38 runs.

Scores: Coast v South
South 54 (Manshon 20, Baron 4 for 16); Coast 55 for 8 (Solomon 8 for 19).

North v Centre:
North 98 (Naftali 48 not out); Centre 60 (Minster 7 for 9).

North "B" v Centre "B":
North "B" 91 and 76 for 8 declared; Centre "B" for 102 for 8 declared and 68 for 5.

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